mission on said application; providing the manner of expending such appropriation, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That for the purpose of enabling the Railroad Commission and the Governor of Texas to employ, and pay the compensation and expenses of such experts and attorneys as may be necessary, in the judgment of the Commission and the Governor to aid and represent the Commission in developing the facts essential to be ascertained in passing upon the application now pending before the Commission of the principal railroad companies in this State for increases in all rates applying in shipments of freight wholly between points in this State and as may be necessary, in the judgment of the Commission and the Governor, in aiding and representing the Commission in any litigation that may arise out of the action of the Commission on said application, there is hereby appropriated out of the money in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to be expended under the direction of the Railroad Commission and the Governor, and to be paid upon warrants drawn by the Comptroller of Public Accounts on vouchers approved by the Railroad Commission. Sec. 2. The facts that there are

not sufficient funds available for the use of the Railroad Commission in performing its duties in passing upon the aforesaid application for increase in rates; that it is necessary that said application shall be heard, considered and determined by the Commission in the near future; that it is necessary to the public interest that the investigation of the facts essential to be known in order for the Commission to make a just decision of said application shall be thorough and satisfactory; that it is necessary that the Commission shall be prepared to defend any suit or suits that may be filed, if its action on said application is assailed in the courts; that the Commission has not now clerical and legal assistance necessary to the investigation and the performance of the service required, creates an emergency and an im-

that the constitutional rule, which provides that bills shall be read on three several days, shall be suspended, and it is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

#### Petitions and Memorials.

Senator Astin presented three numerously signed petitions from citizens of Hill County, asking the repeal of that part of the warehouse law requiring ginners to completely cover both sides of bales of cotton with bagging when ginned.

Senator Westbrook offered a petition from Farmersville, asking that the Full Crew bill be not passed.

Three petitions from voters of Delta County, desiring the fish law to be so amended that fish might be caught with a net, were presented by Senator Darwin.

Senator Bee offered telegrams from numerous citizens of Boerne, Texas, opposing the Full Crew bill; also several telegrams from San Antonio, asking favorable consideration of a bill to give the Texas Company the right to prospect for and produce oil in this State.

Senator McCollum offered several telegrams from citizens of Rockdale, against the Full Crew bill; also telegrams from Waco, endorsing the Texas Company Pipe Line bill.

Senator Clark presented telegrams from Flatonia and Eagle Lake, showing cause why the Full Crew bill should not pass.

Senator Cowell presented three numerously signed petitions from citizens of Grayson County, in opposition to any law restricting the sale of spices, etc., by itinerant medicine wagons.

A petition from business men and manufacturers of Houston, favoring H. J. R. No. 32, was offered by Senator Cowell.

### FORTY-FIRST DAY.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, Thursday, March 11, 1915.

creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity requiring m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answered to their names:

Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris McCollum. Bee. McNealus. Conner. Nugent. Cowell. Page. Darwin. Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Harley. Suiter. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Westbrook. Hudspeth. Wiley. Johnson.

#### Absent.

Clark. McGregor. Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

#### Breisford.

Prayer by Rev. Whaling, Chaplain of the House.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator McNealus.

See Appendix for Petitions and Memorials and Standing Committee Reports.

### Excused.

On account of important business: Senator Breisford for yesterday and indefinitely, on motion of Senator Robbins.

Senator Lattimore, for yesterday, on motion of Senator Cowell.

On account of sickness in family: Senator Suiter, for yesterday, on motion of Senator Henderson.

#### Changes In Conference Committee.

Senator Bee made the following motion:

I move that the Senator from Bell (Harris) be relieved as a member of the Free Conference Committee on Senate Bill No. 40, and the Senator from Dallas (McNealus) placed thereon.

The motion was read and adopted.

#### Senate Bill No. 886.

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, S. B. No. 386 was withdrawn from Committee on Internal Improvements, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

#### Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives.

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

House Bill No. 510, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the time of holding the district court in Clay County to eight weeks."

House Bill No. 579, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the Governor of Texas to appoint an inspector of hides and animals in each of the following counties, to wit: Bee, Live Oak, Maverick and Val Verde, and to place said counties under the provisions of Articles 7256 to 7304, inclusive, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, and providing for fees for inspectors appointed by the Governor, and declaring an emergency."

House Bill No. 589, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the limits of the Lillian Independent School District in Johnson County, and declaring an emergency."

House Bill No. 594, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Browns-ville Independent School District in Cameron County, Texas; defining its boundaries, providing for a board of trustees to manage and control public free schools within said district, divesting the city of Brownsville of the control of its public free schools and the title of all properties now held and used for public free school purposes; investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only, under the general laws of this State, and declaring an emergency."

House Bill No. 598, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Hopkins County, Texas, and making the county commissioners of said county ex officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners; and provid-

ing that the working of county convicts on the public roads of said county; and providing for the amount of compensation in road time to be allowed by commissioners to road hands for teams and road work; and providing for the condemnation of land for public road purposes; and providing for the working of delinquent poll tax payers on the public roads, and relieving road hands from the performance of road work by the payment of the sum of five dollars and providing for elections for issuance of bonds for public roads and bridge purposes, and providing for the issuance and sale of such bonds by the commissioners court of said county; and/providing further, making this law cumulative of the general laws, and in case of a conflict, this Act to govern as to Hopkins County, Texas, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.

House Bill No. 610, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize and permit the territory situated within the bounds of the town of Claude, in the county of Armstrong, and State of Texas, to incorporate as an independent school district for free school purposes only."

House Bill No. 613, A bill to be entitled "An Act enlarging the concurrent jurisdiction of the Criminal District Court No. 2 of Dallas County, Texas, and of the judges thereof; and amending Chapter 19, Section 2, of an Act of the Legislature approved September 14, 1911, creating Crim-inal District Court No. 2, Dallas County, Texas."

House Bill No. 650, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Prairie Dell Independent School District of Bell County; defining its metes and bounds; vesting it with the rights, duties, and privileges of districts incorporated for school purposes only under the general laws; providing that all outstanding bonded indebtedness of Prairie Dell Common School District No. 65 of Bell County shall be validated and made a valid obligation against the Prairie Dell Independent School District of Bell County; providing for a board of trustees therefor, and declaring an emergency.'

Independent School District in Mc- have been appointed:

Mullen County, Texas, and defining its boundaries; and to provide for the creating of a board of trustees thereof and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers, and providing authority to issue bonds, for the purpose of purchasing school sites and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to levy a tax therefor, and to pay current expenses for the maintenance and support of said school, providing for a board of equalization and prescribing the duty and authority of said board, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith, in so far as they conflict with this Act, and declaring an emergency.'

I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that House refused to pass the following bills:

S. B. No. 191, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that any corporation organized under the laws of this State, authorized to construct, acquire and operate electric railways, commonly known as Interurban railways, shall have power to purchase, or may join with any other individual, firm or corporation in constructing, leasing, owning, using or maintaining any other electric line of railway upon such terms as may be agreed upon between such persons, or the directors of the corporation, upon such terms as the respective persons, firms or corporations may agree, and to provide the manner thereof."

S. B. No. 196, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the purpose of encouraging and improving the breeding and development of highly bred horses, and in furtherance of such purposes of encouraging and concerning the holding of fairs for the exhibition of live stock, agricultural and mechanical products, and for the appointment of a commission for the regulation of races and laying wagers thereon, and to provide for the payment of certain revenue derived therefrom to the State Commissioner of Agriculture for the use of the live stock division of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas.

The House grants request of Senate for Free Conference Committee House Bill No. 642, A bill to be on Senate Bill No. 40. The follow-entitled "An Act creating the Wentz ing members on the part of the House

Parks. and Lewelling.

Respectfully,

W. R. LONG,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

#### House Bills Referred.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Hobby, referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills:

H. B. No. 510, referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

H. B. No. 579, referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

H. B. No. 589, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 594, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 598, referred to Committee on Public Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

H. B. No. 610, referred to Commit-

tee on Educational Affairs. H. B. No. 613, referred to Com-

mittee on Judicial Districts. H. B. No. 650, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 642, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

#### Bills and Resolutions,

By Senator King:

S. B. No. 417, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6299, Chapter 1, Title 107, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, relating to commissioners of pilots, and declaring an emergency.

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Hudspeth:

S. B. No. 418, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1120 of Title 15 of Chapter 2 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, relating to fees of district attorneys of districts composed of two counties or more, and to provide for assistant district attorneys in certain districts, and to provide for compensation of such assistants."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

Simple Resolution No. 128. By Senator Bailey of DeWitt: Resolved, that the Committee on Hall.

Maddox, Cope, McAskill Rules of the Senate select from the alendar of the Senate all bills of a local nature, both House and Senate, now pending in the Senate on their second and third reading, and make a list of the same for the Secretary of the Senate, and that the Senate proceed on Saturday, March 13, 1915, immediately after the morning call has been concluded, to take up and consider such bills and to continue the consideration of the same until they are disposed of.

The resolution was read and referred to Committee on Rules.

#### House Bill No. 604.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 604, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the authority and duties of the commissioners court of Orange County, Texas, and of the county commissioners of said county, to require said county commissioners to devote their entire time and attention to the affairs of said county, making each such county commissioner ex officio road commissioner of his commissioner's precinct, and to fix the salary for the members of said commissioners court, and repealing all laws, general and special, in conflict with the provisions of this Act, and declaring an emergency.'

The bill was laid before the Senate. read third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-23.

Astin. McGregor. Bailey of DeWitt. McNealus. Bailey of Harris Nugent. Bee. Page. Cowell. Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Harley. Smith. Harris. Suiter. Henderson. Townsend. Hudspeth. Westbrook. King. Wiley. Lattimore.

Present-Not Voting.

Conner.

Absent.

Clark. Johnson. Darwin. McCollum. Morrow.

#### Absent-Excused.

#### Breisford.

Senator King moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 604 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 483.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 483, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 7, of Chapter 32, of the laws of the regular session of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, as amended by an Act of the Thirty-second Legislature, approved March 23, 1911, being an Act entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Clay County, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed by the following vote:

# Yeas—26.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Lattimore.
Bailey of Harris.	McGregor.
Bee.	McNealus
Clark.	Nugent.
Conner.	Page.
Cowell.	Parr.
Darwin.	Robbins
Gibson.	Smith.
Harris.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Westbrook.
Johnson.	Wiley.

### Absent.

Hall. Harley. McCollum. Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

### Breisford.

Senator Nugent moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 483 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### House Bill No. 378.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 373, A bill to be entitled by the following vote:

"An Act creating and incorporating the Trio Independent School District in Uvalde County, Texas, for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-27

Astin.	King.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Lattimore.
Bailey of Harris.	McGregor,
Bee.	McNealus.
Clark.	Nugent.
Conner.	Page.
Cowell.	Parr.
Darwin.	Robbins.
Gibson,	Smith.
Hall.	Suitèr.
Harris.	Townsend.
Henderson,	Westbrook.
Hudspeth.	Wiley.
Johnson.	· <b>y</b> •

#### Absent.

Harley, McCollum. Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

### Brelsford.

Senator Hudspeth moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 373 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

### House Bill No. 7 Re-referred.

On motion of Senator Nugent, H. B. No. 7 was withdrawn from Committee on State Affairs and referred to Commitee on State Penitentiaries.

### House Joint Resolution No. 1.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. J. R. No. 1, Proposing an amendment to Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto a provision authorizing a qualified voter to vote for State officers or on any proposition submitted to the voters of this State in a precinct other than the precinct of his residence under certain conditions, and making an appropriation.

The resolution was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

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#### Yeas-28.

King. Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris McCollum. Bee. McGregor. Clark. McNealus. Conner. Nugent. Cowell. Page. Gibson. Parr. Robbins. Hall. Harley. Smith. Harris. Suiter. Henderson. Townsend. Hudspeth. Westbrook. Wiley. Johnson,

#### Absent.

Darwin.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Bailey of DeWitt moved to reconsider the vote by which H. J. R. No. 1 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 356.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 356, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the special road law of Morris County, Texas, amending Section 1, so as to provide for four (4) commissioner precincts superintendents instead of one county superintendent: Sections 6 and 7 providing for bonds and salary of said road superintendents, repealing Section 28, regulating the hiring of teams on said roads, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-28.

Astin.	Henderson.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Hudspeth.
Bailey of Harris	Johnson.
Bee.	King.
Clark.	Lattimore.
Conner.	McCollum.
Cowell.	McGregor.
Gibson.	McNealus.
Hall.	Nugent.
Harley.	Page.
Harris.	Parr.

Robbins. Smith. Townsend. Westbrook. Wiley.

#### Absent.

Darwin.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Henderson moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 356 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 409.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 409, A bill to be entitled "An Act for relieving Road District No. 9, Collin County, Texas, from payment of tax to pay interest and sinking fund on road bonds issued in said district until such time as said road bonds can be sold; and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate. read third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-28.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris. McCollum. Bee. McGregor. Clark. McNealus. Conner. Nugent. Cowell. Page. Gibson. Parr. Hall. Robbins. Harley. Smith. Harris. Suiter. Henderson. Townsend Westbrook. Hudspeth. Johnson. Wiley.

### Absent.

Darwin.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Brelsford.

Senator Westbrook moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 409 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 441.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

on third reading,

H. B. No. 441, A bill to be entitled "An Act to re-enact and amend Chapter 41, of the Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Twentyninth Legislature, and which became effective April 22, 1905, entitled, 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Dallas County, Texas, etc.' This being an Act re-enacting said law as a whole and amending Sections 3, 5, 8, 16, 30 and 31 thereof, so that the same will hereafter read as fol-lows, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-28.

Astin.	Tring
	King.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Lattimore.
Bailey of Harris	McCollum.
Bee.	McGregor.
Clark.	McNealus.
Conner.	Nugent.
Cowell.	Page.
Gibson.	Parr.
Hall.	Robbins
Harley.	Smith.
Harris.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Westbrook.
Johnson.	Wiley.

### Absent.

Darwin.

Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

### Brelatord.

Senator McNealus moved to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 441 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 462.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

on third reading,

H. B. No. 462, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the working on public roads of Marion County, Texas, of all parties who may have fexas, of all parties who may have failed to pay their poll tax on or before January 31 of each year, and providing a penalty for those who are liable to said road duty under the terms of this Act who shall fail to work said roads or streets when on third reading,

notified to do so by proper authority, and creating an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Sen-

ate, read third time and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-25.

Astin. Johnson Bailey of DeWitt. King. Bailey of Harris Lattimore. Bee. McCollum. Clark. Nugent. Conner. Page. Cowell. Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Harley. Suiter. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Wiley. Hudspeth.

Nays-1.

Westbrook.

Present-Not Voting.

McGregor.

McNealus.

Absent.

Darwin.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Brelsford.

Senator Henderson moved to re-consider the vote by which House Bill No. 462 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# House Bill No. 467.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

on third reading,
H. B. No. 467, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2,
Chapter 61, Acts of the Thirty-second Legislature, amending Chapter 55, Sections 2, 13 and 16, San Saba Road Law, by increasing the pay of road hands and teams.'

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed.

Senator Conner moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 467 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# House Bill No. 511.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

H. B. No. 511, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 11, of the Special Road Law in force in Van Zandt County, as enacted by the Thirty-third Legislature, and approved March 25, 1913, providing that each commissioner of said county shall be ex officio road commissioner of his precinct, and shall serve as such road commissioner the full time in which his services are not engaged as county commissioner; providing compensation that each commissioner shall receive for his services as road commissioner; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-28.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Lattimore.
Bailey of Harris	McCollum.
Bee.	McGregor.
Clark.	McNealus.
Conner.	Nugent.
Cowell.	Page.
Gibson.	Parr.
Hall.	Robbins.
Harley.	Smith.
Harris.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Westbrook
Johnson.	Wiley.

### Absent.

Darwin.

Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

Brelsford.

Senator Suiter moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 511 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

· The motion to table prevailed.

### House Bill No. 531,

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 531, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a special road law for Camp County, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Astin. Bailey Bailey

### Yeas-28.

Astin. Bailey of DeWitt.	King. Lattimore.
Bailey of Harris.	McCollum.
Bee.	McGregor.
Clark.	McNealus.
Conner.	Nugent.
Cowell.	Page.
Gibson.	Parr.
Hall.	Robbins.
Harley.	Smith.
Harris.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Westbrook.
Johnson.	Wiley.

#### Absent.

Darwin.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

. Senator Suiter moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 531 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 535.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 535, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 5 and 8 of the Special Road Law of Houston County, passed by the Thirty-second Legislature, and approved August 31, 1911, increasing the compensation of county commissioners acting as supervisors of the public roads and bridges in their respective precincts; placing the supervision and control of the roads and bridges in any special road district in the hands of an advisory board of citizens, and providing for the apportionment of the road and bridge fund to the special road district in which the same was paid; creating an emergency, and providing for the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring all bills to be read on three several days.'

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-28.

Astin.
Bailey of DeWitt.
Bailey of Harris.
Conner.

McGregor. Cowell. McNealus. Gibson. Hall. Nugent. Harley. Page. Harris. Parr. Robbins. Henderson. Hudspeth. Smith. Johnson. Suiter. Townsend. King. Lattimore. Westbrook. McCollum. Wiley.

#### Absent.

Darwin.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

#### Breisford.

Senator Townsend moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 535 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 545.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

on third reading,

H. B. No. 545, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Mills County,

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-25.

Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt. King. Bailey of Harris Lattimore. McCollum. Clark. Nugent. Conner. Page. Cowell. Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Suiter. Harley. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Wiley. Hudspeth.

Nay-1.

Westbrook.

Present-not Voting.

McGregor. McNealus.

Absent.

Darwin.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Conner moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 545 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 561.

The Chair laid before the Senate. on third reading,

H. B. No. 561, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 13, Chapter 47, of the Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirty-first Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-28.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. McCollum. Bailey of Harris. Bee. McGregor. Clark. McNealus. Cowell. Nugent. Darwin. Page. Gibson. Parr. Robbins. Hall. Harley. Smith. Harris. Suiter. Henderson. Townsend. Hudspeth. Westbrook. Johnson. Wiley.

### Absent.

Conner.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

### Breisford.

Senator Harris moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 561 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 597.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 597, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars for the suppression and eradication of charbon disease, or anthrax, to be expended under the direction of the State Board of Health, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-21.

Astin. Lattimore. Bee. McCollum. Clark. McNealus. Cowell. Nugent. Gibson. Page. Hall. Parr. Harley. Robbins. Harris. Smith. Hudspeth. Townsend. Wiley. Johnson. King.

Nays-2.

Suiter.

Westbrook.

#### Absent.

Bailey of DeWitt. Henderson.
Bailey of Harris, McGregor.
Conner. Morrow.
Darwin.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford,

Senator King moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 597 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# House Bill No. 153.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 153, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the commissioners court of any county in this State to levy and collect a tax not to exceed five (5) cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation of the county for one year for the purchase and improvement of lands for county parks, and providing the manner of acquiring lands for park purposes, and providing for the management and control of said county parks, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed.

Senator McNealus moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 153 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 79.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 79, A bill to be entitled "An Act to confer upon the county court of Dickens County original concurrent jurisdiction with justice courts of said county in civil cases, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this Act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed.

Snator Johnson moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 79 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Bill No. 374.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 374, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act incorporating and creating the Sabinal Independent School District in Uvalde County, Texas, for free school purposes only; defining its boundaries, and providing for the election of a board of trustees, for the raising of revenue by taxation, issuing bonds for raising money for building purposes and maintaining public free schools, vesting the property of the Sabinal Common School District No. 5 in said Sabinal Independent School District, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-28.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. McCollum. Bailey of Harris. McGregor. Bee. Clark. McNealus. Nugent. Cowell, Darwin. Page. Parr. Gibson. Hall. Robbins. Harley. Smith. Harris. Suiter. Henderson. Townsend. Hudspeth. Westbrook. Johnson. Wiley.

#### Absent.

Conner.

Morrow.

#### Absent-Excused.

#### Breisford.

Senator Hudspeth moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 374 was passed, and table the mo-tion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### House Bill No. 314.

The Chair laid before the Senate,

on third reading,
H. B. No. 314, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1372, Chapter 12, Title 7, of the Revised Criminal Statutes of 1911, so as to exempt Clay County from the provisions of said law, and de-claring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Sen-

ate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-29.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Lattimore.
Bailey of Harris	McCollum.
Bee.	McGregor.
Clark,	McNealus.
Conner.	Nugent.
Cowell.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Smith.
Harley.	Suiter.
Harris.	Townsend.
Henderson.	Westbrook.
Hudspeth.	Wiley.
Johnson.	
Johnson.	

Absent.

### Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

#### Breisford.

Senator Johnson moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 314 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### Simple Resolution No. 129.

By Senator McGregor:

Whereas, The Legislature of the State of Texas has passed a resolution to adjourn on the 20th day of

has not been completed and will have to be submitted at a special session of the Legislature; and,

Whereas, The Governor has indicated his purpose to call such special session at a date of approximately not less than thirty days after the adjournment of this session of the Legislature; and,

Whereas, The appropriation bill necessarily involves the itemizing, investigating and digesting of millions of dollars of money composed of numerous small sums; and,

Whereas, Much time, money and labor can be saved by the preparation of such bill in vacation by competent parties; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the chairman of the Finance Committee is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to retain the services of the secretary and stenographer of the Finance Committee of the Senate, for such portion of the vacation as may be needed and compile and prepare said appropriation bill during the time intervening between the adjournment of the current session of the Legislature and the convening of the extra session to be called by the Governor, and that he shall be allowed as compensation . \$5.00 a day for himself, \$5.00 a day for his stenographer and \$5.00 a day for a clerk of said Finance Committee, and such other actual and necessary expenses which he may incur in the prepara-tion of such bill, and the same shall be paid out of the contingent fund of the special session to be called.

(Signed): McGregor, Hudspeth, Lattimore, Henderson, Conner, Harris, Bee, Page, Gibson, Nugent, Johnson, Westbrook, McCollum, Robbins, Clark, McNealus, Harley, Suiter, King, Wiley, Townsend, Hall, Astin, Parr, Bailey of Harris, Bailey of De-Witt, Darwin.

The resolution was read laid on the table subject to call.

#### Senate Bill No. 389—House Amendments Concurred In.

Senator Townsend called up S. B. No. 389, with the following House amendments:

Amend S. B. No. 389, page 8, Sec-March, 1915; and, tion 8, line 2, of said Section, by add-Whereas, The appropriation bill ing after the word "performed," to be prepared by this Legislature "not to exceed the sum of one hundred and twenty-six dollars per quarter, payable quarterly."

The amendments were read and on motion of Senator Townsend, the Senate concurred in the House amendments by the following vote:

#### Yeas-27.

Astin.	Lattimore.
Bailey of DeWitt.	McCollum.
Bailey of Harris	McGregor.
Bee.	McNealus.
Clark.	Nugent.
Conner.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Smith.
Harley.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Westbrook.
Johnson.	Wiley.
King.	

Present-Not Voting.

Cowell.

Absent.

Harris.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Townsend moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendments were concurred in, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### Senate Bill No. 152.

Senator Townsend called up S. B. No. 152, with the following House amendments:

Amend S. B. No. 152, by striking out the words in Section 1, "which are of a permanent nature."

Amend caption of S. B. No. 152, by striking out the words "which are of a permanent nature."

The amendment was read, and Senator Townsend moved that the Senate concur in the amendments.

(President Pro Tem. Nugent in the chair.)

Pending discussion, Senator Clark moved the previous question on the motion, which motion being duly seconded, was so ordered.

The motion to concur was adopted by the following vote:

### Yeas-25.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of DeWitt.	McCollum.
Bailey of Harris.	McGregor.
Bee.	McNealus.
Clark.	Nugent.
Conner:	Page.
Cowell.	Parr.
Darwin.	Robbins.
Gibson.	Smith.
Hall.	Suiter.
Harley.	Townsend.
Harris.	Westbrook.
Johnson.	***************************************

Nays-3.

Henderson. Hudspeth. Lattimore.

Absent.

Morrow.

Wiley.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Townsend moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was concurred in, and table the motion to recounsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### House Bill No. 113.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 113, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent obstruction of highways, crossings, or alleys at railroad crossings in unincorporated towns and villages, and to inflict punishment for violations of the same."

### House Bill No. 537.

### (By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

H. B. No. 537, A bill to be entitled "An Act to render more effective the present road laws of the State in its application and operation in Hays County, Texas."

Senator Harley offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill, page 2, Section 5, by striking out after the word "performed," in line 2, on page 3, line 1, to include the word "quarter" before the word "said," in same line,

and insert the following: "during the construction or repair of public roads and bridges, provided there be no paid road overseer or foreman to superintend such work, and that such county commissioner will be acting in that capacity."

The amendment was read adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-25.

Lattimore. Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. McCollum. McNealus. Bailey of Harris. Bee. Nugent. Cowell. Page. Darwin. Parr. Gibson. Robbins, Smith. Hall. Suiter. Harley. Henderson. Townsend. Westbrook. Hudspeth. Wiley. Johnson. King.

Náy-1.

Conner.

A bsent

Clark. Harria McGregor. Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Harley offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill on page 2, Section line 29, of the engrossed bill, by

striking out the following:

"The county shall not be required to pay a greater price for land than double the amount the same was rendered for taxes for the next preceding year, unless special damages are shown to the remainder of the tract."

The amendment was read and adopted by the following vote:

### Yeas-27.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris, McCollum. Bee. McNealus. Clark Nugent. Page. Cowell. Darwin. Parr. Gibson. Hall. Robbins. Smith. Harley. Suiter. Townsend. Harris. Westbrook. Henderson. Hudspeth. Wiley. Johnson.

Nay-1.

Conner.

Absent.

McGregor.

Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas-26.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris. McCollum. Bee. McGregor. Clark. McNealus. Cowell, Nugent. Darwin. Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Harley. Suiter. Henderson. Townsend. Hudspeth. Westbrook, Johnson, Wiley.

Nay-1.

Conner.

Absent.

Harris.

Page.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Harley poved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 537 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Senate Bill No. 397. (By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate.

on second reading,
S. B. No. 397, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make appropriation for payment for the wings of the permanent fireproof buildings to replace the main building of the West Texas State Normal College at Canyon, Texas, and declaring an emergency.

### Recess.

On motion of Senator McNealus, the Senate, at 12:30 o'clock p. m., recessed until 2:30 o'clock, p. m., today.

#### After Recess.

#### (Afternoon Session.)

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tem. Nugent.

# Senate Bill No. 897.

#### (Pending business.)

Action here recurred on the pending business, S. B. No. 397, which had been read second time.

The bill was read second time, and passed to engreement.

On motion of Senator Johnson, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, was suspended, and S. B. No. 397 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas--22.

Astin.	King,
Bailey of DeWitt.	Lattimore.
Bailey of Harris.	Nugent.
	Page.
Conner.	Parr.
Darwin.	Robbins.
Hall.	Smith.
Harris.	Suiter.
Henderson,	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Westbrook
Johnson.	Wiley.
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### Attent.

Clark. ,	leMeCollum
Cowell.	McGregor
Gibson,	McNealus.
Varley.	Morrow.

### Absent-Excused.

#### Breisford.

(Lieutenant Governor Hobby in the chair.)

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-24.

Gibson.
Hall.
Harris.
Henderson
Hudspeth.
Johnson,
King.

Lattimore. Smith.
Nugent. Suiter.
Page. Townsend.
Parr. Westbrook.
Robbins. Wiley.

#### Absezt.

Bailey of DeWitt. McGregor. Harley. McNealus. McCollum. Morrow.

#### Absent-Excused.

#### Preisford.

Senator Johnson moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 397 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### Bills and Resolutions.

#### (By unanimous consent.)

By Senators McCollum, King and Harris:

S. B. No. 419, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Bection 5, of Chapter 75, of the General Laws of the State of Texas, entitled 'An Act to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry; creating a board for the examination of applicants for the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry; prescribing their powers and qualifications," and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

# House Bill No. 118. (Pending business.)

Action here recurred on the pending business, H. B. No. 113, which had already been read today.

Senator Lattimore offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend H. B. No. 113, by inserting the word "wilfully" between the word "to" and the word "obstruct," in line 22 of printed bill.

# House Bill No. 184. (By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

H. B. No. 134, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3086, Title 49, Chapter 10, Revised Statutes of Texas, changing the date of holding primary elections and regulating the manner of holding thereof."

There was a favorable majority committee report, with amendments, and favorable minority committee report.

#### House Bill No. 579.

(By unanimous consent.)

On motion of Senator Bailey of DeWitt, the constitutional rule re-quiring bills to be read on three several days, was suspended, and H. B. No. 579 put on its second reading by the following vote:

#### Yeas-27.

King. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris McCollum. McNealus. Bee. Clark. Nugent. Conner. Page. Cowell. Parr. Darwin. Robbins. Gibson. Smith. Suiter. Hall. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Westbrook. Hudspeth. Wiley. Johnson.

### Absent.

Harley. McGregor. Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

### Breisford.

bt.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 579, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the Governor of Texas to appoint an inspector of hides and animals in each spector of hides and animals in each of the following counties, to wit: Bee, Live Oak, Maverick, and Val Verde, and to place said counties under the provisions of Articles 7256 to 7304, inclusive, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, and providing for fees for inspectors appointed by the Governor, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Bailey of Harley. DeWitt, the Senate rule requiring McGregor.

committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report).

The committee report, amendment, and that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Bailey of DeWitt, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, was suspended, and H. B. No. 597 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-24.

Astin Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt, King. Bailey of Harris. Lattimore. Bee. McNealus. Clark. Nugent. Conner. Page. Darwin, Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Harris. Suiter. Henderson. Townsend. Hudspeth. Wiley.

#### Absent.

Cowell. McGregor. Harley. Morrow. McCollum. Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

### Brelsford.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-25.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris McCollum. Mr.Nealus. Bee. Clark. Nugent. Conner. Page. Darwin. Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Harris. Suiter. Townsend. Henderson. Hudspeth. Wiley. Johnson.

#### Absent.

Cowell.

Morrow. Westbrook.

#### Absent-Excused.

#### Brelsford.

Senator Bailey of DeWitt moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 597 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# House Bill No. 113.

(Pending business.)

Action here recurred on the pending business, H. B. No. 113, read second time today, and,

Senator Wiley offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted, being acted on separately:

2. Amend the bill as follows: Strike out all of Section 1, and insert the following as a new section:

"Section 1. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any railway company, or any officer, agent, servant, receiver, or receivers of any railway company to wilfully obstruct for more than five minutes at any one time any street, railway crossing or public highway in this State by permitting their trains to stand on or across such crossing or crossings."

- 3. Amend the caption, page 1, line 17, by inserting a comma after the word "crossing," and following the comma insert the word "street," and further amend the caption, line 18, by adding the words "and declaring an emergency."
- 4. Amend the bill, page 1, by adding Section 3, as follows:

Section 3. The near approach of the end of the session and the crowded condition of the calendar creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this Act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Senator Darwin offered the following amendment:

By striking out the words "five minutes" where it appears and insert in lieu thereof the words "eight minutes."

Senator Clark moved to table the amendment, and

Senator Nugent moved the previous question on the motion to table Darwin. and the passage of the bill to a third Gibson.

reading, which was seconded and ordered.

The amendment was tabled.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Nugent the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 113 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-24.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of DeWitt.	Lattimore.
Bailey of Harris.	McNealus.
Bee.	Nugent.
Clark.	Page.
Conner.	Parr.
Darwin.	Robbins.
Gibson.	Smith.
Hall,	Suiter.
Harris.	Townsend.
Henderson.	Westbrook
Johnson.	Wiley.

Present-Not Voting.

Cowell.

#### Absent.

Harley. McGregor.
Hudspeth. Morrow.
McCollum.

### Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Nugent moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 113 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### Senate Bill No. 61.

Senator King moved that the pending order of business (consideration of House bills) be suspended, and the Senate take out of its order S. B. No. 61.

The motion was adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-21.

Astin.
Bailey of DeWitt.
Bailey of Harris.
Bee.
Clark.
Darwin.
Gibson.
Hall.
Harris.
Henderson.
King.
Lattimore.
McCollum.

Nugent. Page. Parr. Smith. Suiter. Townsend. Westbrook.

Navs-3.

Conner. McNealus. Robbins.

Present-Not Voting.

Cowell.

Absent.

Harley. Hudspeth. McGregor. Morrow. Wiley.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading,

S. B. No. 61, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an Act of the Thirty-second Legislature entitled 'An Act to amend Article 21, Title 4, of the Revised Civil Statutes, and to amend an Act passed by the Thirtieth Legisature, creating the Sixth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, and to create the Seventh and Eighth Supreme Julicial Districts of Texas, and to provide for the organization of a Court of Civil Appeals within the Ninth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith, and decaring an emergency."

The bill was read and

On motion of Senator King the majority favorable committee report was adopted.

Senator King offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted, being acted on separately:

- 1. Amend S. B. No. 61 by inserting after the word "boundary," in line 24, page 1, thereof the following: "Same being Chapter 120 of the regular session of the Thirty-second Legislature."
- 2. Amend S. B. No. 61 by striking out the figures "988," in line 23, page 3, thereof, and insert in lieu thereof the figures "1581," and adding after the word "the," in line 23, page 3, the figures "1911."
- 3. Amend S. B. No. 61 by striking out the words "rendering it proper and necessary," in line 7, page 4, thereof, and inserting after the word "emergency," "an imperative public necessity."

- 4. Amend S. B. No. 61 by striking out the figure "4," in line 3, page 4 thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the figure "6."
- 5. Amend S. B. No. 61 by adding after Section 3 the following:

"Section 4. The Court of Civil Appeals for the Seventh Supreme Judicial District shall hold its sessions in the city of Amarillo, in the county of Potter, and its terms shall commence on the first Monday in October of each year and shall continue in session until the first Monday in July of each succeeding year.

"Section 5. The Court of Civil Appeals for the Eighth Supreme Judicial District shall hold its sessions in the city of El Paso, in the county of El Paso, and its terms shall commence on the first Monday of October of each year and shall continue in session until the first Monday of June of each succeeding year."

- 6. Amend S. B. No. 61 by striking out the word "is," in line 11, page 4 thereof, and inserting the word "are."
- 7. Amend S. B. No. 61, in line 19, page 1 of the caption, by striking out the letter "t" so that the first word of said line reads "herewith" instead of "therewith."
- 8. Amend the caption by placing quotation marks after the word "entitled," in line 11, and after the word "Texas," in line 15.
- 9. Amend the bill by striking out Trinity County from the Ninth District, line 11, page 3, and place same in the First District, and strike out Rusk County from the Sixth District and add same to the Ninth District.

The bill, having already been read, was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

#### Yeas-18.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. McCollum. Bee. McNealus. Clark. Nugent. Darwin. Page. Gibson, Parr. Harris. Smith. Hudspeth. Townsend. Johnson. Wiley.

### Navs-7.

Conner. Cowell. Henderson. Lattimore. Robbins. Suiter. Westbrook. Present-Not Voting.

Bailey of Harris. Hall.

#### Absent.

Harley. McGregor. Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford

On motion of Senator King, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 61 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas--25.

King. Bailey of Harris. Lattimore, McCollum. Bee. Clark. McNealus. Conner. Nugent. Cowell. Page. Darwin, Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Harris. Sulter. Townsend. Henderson. Hudspeth. Wiley. Johnson.

Nay---1.

Westbrook.

#### Absent.

Bailey of DeWitt. McGregor, Harley. Morrow.

### Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-22.

Astin. Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt. King. Bailey of Harris. McCollum, McNealus. Bee. Clark. Nugent. Darwin. Page. Gibson. Parr. Hall. Robbins, Harris. Smith. Henderson. Townsend. Hudspeth. Wiley.

#### Nays-5.

Conner. Suiter.
Cowell. Westbrook.
Lattimore.

Absent.

Morrow.

Harley, McGregor,

Absent--Excused.

Brelsford.

Senator King moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 61 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion prevailed.

### Committee Substitute For Senate Bills Nos. 188 and 216.

Senator Bailey of Harris asked unanimous consent to take up C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, but there was objection, and

was objection, and
On motion of Senator Bailey of
Harris the pending order of business (consideration of House bills)
was suspended, and the Senate took
up, out of its order, S. B. Nos. 183
and 216, by the following vote:

#### Yeas-20.

Hudspeth. Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. Johnson. Bailey of Harris. King. McCollum. Clark. McNealus. Cowell. Darwin. Page. Smith. Gibson. Suiter. Hall. Townsend. Harris. Henderson. Wiley.

### Nays-5.

Conner. Lattimore. Nugent. Robbins. Westbrook.

### Absent.

Bee. Harley, McGregor. Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Brelsford.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 183 and S. B. No. 216, said first numbered bill being entitled "An Act relating to the petroleum industry, defining and regulating common carriers of oil, creating the Petroleum Commission, etc." Said Senate Bill No. 216, being en-

titled "An Act to authorize the formation of domestic corporations for the purpose of buying, selling, storing and transporting oil, etc.

Action recurred on the committee report, which recommended a substitute by the committee for the two bills. The substitute bill was read in full and was adopted.

Action recurred on

C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 6, A bill to be entitled "An act 216, defining common carrier pipe lines engaged in the transportation of petroleum oil: declaring all corporations. persons, partnerships or association of persons now engaged or to hereafter engage in transporting petroleum oil from place to place in this State to be common carriers, declaring such common carriers to be public utilities and makin, them subject to the provisions of this Act, and conferring on them the right to prospect for and produce oil and gas; creating a Petroleum Commission with the power to regulate the rate of such transportation and storage by such common carrier; providing for the storage of products to be tranported by them; granting them the right to esablish, mainain and operate telegraph lines upon their right-of-way in connection with their business and to build and maintain their line under and across or along streams, highways, streets and other common carriers within this State; and providing against discrimination in favor of or against indviduals, associations of persons or corporations in the conduct of their business; requiring them to exchange tonnage with other common carriers; and to receive and transport petroleum oil tendered to them for transportation; empowering such commission to make rules and regulations for their conduct and to require the construction and maintenance by them of loading racks and transfer and delivery stations and the transfer and delivery of petroleum from such common carrier to another, and to fix the charges therefor, and to define merchantable oil, and to fix the amount of deduction to be made therefrom on account of water and other foreign substances and on account of evaporation and leakage, and giving such commission plenary power to make rules and regulations for the control of such carrier and power to enforce their rules and regulations and provisions of this Act; prescribing notice to be given by such car-

riers of the reduction of credit balance prices, fixing penalties for viola-tion of this Act, and the rules or orders of said commission, making certain violations a criminal offense and fixing the penalty therefor and providing means for the recovery of such penalties as are not made criminal either by the State of Texas or the party aggrived by such violation, naming the tribunal in which such recovery may be had, repealing all laws in conflict with this Act, providing that the invalidity of any part of this Act shall not invalidate the remaining parts thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Senator Lattimore offered the following amendment:

Amend bill, page 25, of the printed bill, beginning in line 8 and striking out all after the word "indirectly" in said line, all of lines 9 and 10 and first syllable of line 11, and also by striking out the words "produced or" in line 7 of said page.

Senator Clark moved to table the amendment, which motion was carried

by the following vote:

#### Yeas-15.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. McCollum. Bailey of Harris. Page. Parr. Clark. Smith. Conner. Townsend. Darwin. Wilev. Harris. Hudspeth.

### Nays-10.

Bee. McGregor. McNealus. Cowell. Gibson. Nugent. Robbins. Henderson. Westbrook. Johnson.

### Absent.

Hall.

Morrow.

#### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Lattimore (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Harley

(absent), who would vote "aye."

Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Breisford (absent), who would vote "aye."

Senator Cowell offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill, page 22, by striking out all of lines 25, 26 and 27.

NUGENT.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to table the amendment, which motion to table was adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-15.

Astin. King.
Bailey of DeWitt. McCollum.
Bailey of Harris. Page.
Clark. Parr.
Conner. Smith.
Darwin. Townsend.
Harris. Wiley.

### Nays-9.

Bee, McNealus.
Cowell. Nugent.
Gibson. Robbins.
Johnson. Westbrook.
McGregor.

#### Absent.

Hall. Henderson. Morrow.

# Pairs Recorded.

Senator lattimore (present), who would vote "nav": Senator Harley (absent), who would vote "aye."

Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Brelsford (absent), who would vote "aye."

Senator Nugent offered the following amendment to C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216:

Amend the committee substitute by striking out all of paragraph (d) of Section 1.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to table the amendment, which motion to table was adopted by the following vote:

### Yeas-15.

Astin. King.
Bailey of DeWitt. McCollum.
Bailey of Harris. Page.
Clark. Parr.
Conner. Smith.
Darwin. Townsend.
Harris. Wiley.

#### Nays-9.

Bee. McNealus.
Cowell. Nugent.
Gibson. Robbins,
Johnson. Westbrook.
McGregor.

#### Absent.

Hall. Morrow. Henderson.

#### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Lattimore (present), who would vote "nav"; Senator Harley (absent), who would vote "aye."

Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Brelsford (absent), who would vote "ave."

(absent), who would vote "aye."
Senator Nugent offered the following amendment:

Amend the committee substitute by striking out all of Section 2 of the substitute.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to table the amendment, which motion prevailed.

Senator Nugent offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out all of Section 3 of the committee substitute:

On motion of Senator Bailey of Harris the amendment was tabled.

Senator Wiley offered the following amendment.

Amend the bill, page 22, line 21, by striking out the word "along" and striking out the "comma" following the word "along."

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to table the amendment, which motion to table was adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-11.

Astin. King.
Bailey of Harris. McCollum.
Bee. Page.
Clark. Parr.
Darwin. Robbins.
Hudspeth.

### Nays-10.

Conner. Nugent.
Cowell. Smith.
Gibson. Townsend.
Johnson. Westbrook.
McNealus. Wiley.

## Present-Not Voting.

Harris.

Lattimore.

# Absent.

Hall. Harley Henderson. Morrow.

### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Breisford (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator McGregor (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Bailey of DeWitt (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Lattimore offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill, page 22 of the printed bill, by striking out the words in Section 4, "Commissioner of Insurance and Banking," and inserting the words, "Comptroller of Public Accounts."

Pending:

#### Recess.

Senator Gibson, at 6:16 o'clock, p. m., moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning,

Senator Johnson moved, as a substitute, that the Senate recess until 8 o'clock tonight.

The motion to adjourn was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas—8.

Darwin. Gibson. Lattimore. McNealus. Page. Robbins. Suiter. Westbrook.

#### Nays-16.

Astin. Bailey of Harris. Bee.

Clark. Conner Cowell. Harris. Hudspeth. Johnson.
King.
McCollum.
Nugent.
Parr.
Smith.
Townsend.
Wiley.

### Absent.

Hall. Harley. Henderson, Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

# Pairs Recorded.

Senator McGregor (present), who would vote "yea"; Senator Bailey of DeWitt (absent), who would vote "nay."

The substitute motion was adopted, and the Senate accordingly recessed until 8 o'clock tonight.

### After Recess.

### (Night Session.)

The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Hobby.

50-Senate.

#### Bills and Resolutions.

(By unanimous consent.)

By Senator Bailey of DeWitt:

S. B. No. 420, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1833, Chapter 4, Title 37, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, of 1911, relating to pleas of privileges and appeals therefrom, providing how appeals may be prosecuted from judgments overruled or sustaining such pleas and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

### Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 183 and 216.

(Pending business.)

Action recurred on the pending business, C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, the question being on the amendment by Senator Lattimore.

Senator Lattimore moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed until 10 o'clock, March 18.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to table the motion to postpone, which motion to table was adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-13.

Astin.
Bailey of Harris.
Clark.
Conner.
Hall.
Harris.

King.
Page.
Parr.
Townsend.
Wiley.

Hudspeth.

Henderson.

### Nays--6.

Cowell. Gibson. Johnson. McNealus. Nugent. Westbrook.

### Absent.

Darwin. Morrow. Robbins. Smith.

### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Breisford (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Bailey of DeWitt (present), who would vote "yea"; Senator McGregor (absent), who would vote "nay."

Senator Lattimore (present), who

would vote "nay"; Senator Harley (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Bee (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator McCollum (absent), who would vote "yea."

Action recurred on the amendment by Senator Lattimore, and

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to table same.

Pending discussion, Senator Page, at 9:10 o'clock p. m., moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, which motion was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-6.

Gibson. Lattimore. Page.

Robbins. Townsend. Westbrook.

### Nays--17.

Hudspeth. Astin. Bailey of Harris. Johnson. Bee. King. Clark. McNealus. Conner. Nugent. Cowell. Parr. Hall. Suiter. Harris. Wiley. Henderson.

Present-Not Voting.

Bailey of DeWitt.

#### Absent.

Darwin. Harley. McCollum. McGregor. Morrow. Smith.

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

Action recurred on the motion to table the amendment to C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, and the motion was lost by the following vote:

### Yeas-9.

Astin. Bailey of Harris. Clark.

Harris. Hudspeth. King. Patr.

Hall

Conner.

#### Nays-11.

Cowell. Gibson. Henderson.

Smith. Townsend. Westbrook. Wiley.

Robbins

Johnson. McNealus. Nugent.

Present-Not Voting.

Bailey of DeWitt.

#### Absent.

Darwin. McGregor. Morrow. Page.

#### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Lattimore (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Harley (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Brelsford (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Bee (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator McCollum (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Henderson offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend the bill, No. 216, by striking out all of Section 4, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"The execution and enforcement of the provisions of this Act shall be, and the same are hereby placed, under the Railroad Commission of the State of Texas, and it is hereby made the duty of the Commission to enforce this Act."

At 9:25 o'clock, p. m., Senator Clark moved that the Senate recess until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Senator Nugent moved, as a substitute, that the Senate adjourn until 10:01 o'clock tomorrow morn-

ing.
The substitute motion was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-6.

Darwin. Gibson. Johnson. Nugent. Townsend. Westbrook.

### Nays-18.

Astin. Bailey of Harris. Bee. Clark.

King. Lattimore. McNealus. Parr. Robbins. Smith.

Hudspeth.

Hall. Harris. Henderson.

Conner.

Cowell.

Suiter. Wiley.

### Absent.

Bailey of DeWitt. McGregor. Harley.

Morrow. Page.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

McCollum.

The motion to recess was then lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-10.

Bailey of Harris. King. Clark. Parr. Darwin. Smith. Hall. Suiter. Harris. Townsend.

### Nays—13.

Astin. Johnson. Lattimore. Bee. Conner. McNealus. Cowell. Robbins. Gibson. Westbrook. Henderson. Wiley. Hudspeth.

Present-Not Voting. Nugent.

#### Absent.

Bailey of DeWitt. McGregor. Harley. Morrow. McCollum. Page.

Absent—Excused.

#### Brelsford.

Action recurred on the substitute by Senator Henderson for the amendment by Senator Lattimore to C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to table the substitute, which mo-tion was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-7.

Bailey of Harris. Hudspeth. McNealus. Clark. Hall. Parr. Harris.

# Nays—11.

Conner. Robbins. Cowell. Smith. Darwin. Townsend. Gibson. Westbrook. Henderson. Wiley. Johnson.

Present-Not Voting.

Astin.

Nugent.

#### Absent.

Bailey of DeWitt. Morrow. King. Page. McGregor.

would vote "nay"; Senator Harley (absent), who would vote "yea."
Senator Bee (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator McCollum (absent), who would vote "yea."
Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Brelsford (absent), who would vote "yea."
The Substitute

The substitute was adopted. The amendment, as substituted, was adopted.

#### Senate Bill No. 27.

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the pending order of business (C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216), was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, S. B. No. 27, and that the pending business be not displaced, by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

Bailey of DeWitt. Johnson. Bailey of Harris. King. Bee. Lattimore. Clark. Nugent. Conner. Parr. Cowell. Robbins. Darwin. Smith. Gibson. Suiter. Townsend. Hall. Harris. Westbrook. Henderson. Wiley. Hudspeth.

Present-Not Voting.

Astin.

#### · Absent.

Harley. McNealus. McCollum. Morrow. McGregor. Page.

Absent-Excused.

### Breisford.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 27, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 104 of the Acts of the Thirty-second Legislature, as amended by the Thirtythird Legislature, creating the office of Inspector of Masonry, Buildings and Works; providing for the inspection of plans and specifications for public buildings and structures and additions thereto, to be constructed Pairs Recorded.

Pairs Recorded.

Senator Lattimore (present), who State; providing for supervision and inspection of such buildings or structures by the Inspector of Masonry, Buildings and Works; authorizing the appointment of assistant inspectors, fixing their salaries and providing for traveling expenses; setting aside 1 per cent of the amount of the contract price of all such buildings or structures to be constructed for such counties, cities, municipalities or other political subdivisions for the payment of the cost of such inspection and supervision, and requiring that said 1 per cent of such contract price be paid into the State Treasury, to be used for said purpose, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas--14.

Bailey of Harris. Johnson.
Bee. King.
Clark. Lattimore.
Gibson. McNealus.
Hall. Nugent.
Harris. Parr.

### Nays-9.

Westbrook.

Bailey of DeWitt. Smith.
Cowell. Suiter.
Darwin. Townsend.
Henderson. Wiley.

Robbius.

Hudspeth.

Absent.

McGregor.

Page.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Conner (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Harley (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Astin (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator McCollum (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Hudspeth moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 27 was passed, and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### House Joint Resolution No. 34.

On motion of Senator Astin, H. J. R. No. 34 was made a special order for Saturday morning, immediately following the morning call. Harley.

#### Recess.

At 9:45 o'clock, p. m., Senator Clark moved that the Senate recess until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Senator McNealus moved, as a substitute, that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The substitute motion was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-9.

Bee. Robbins.
Darwin. Suiter.
Gibson. Townsend.
McNealus. Westbrook.
Nugent.

#### Nays--15.

Astin. Hudspeth. Bailey of Harris. Johnson. King. Conner. Lattimore. Cowell. Parr. Hall. Smith. Harris. Wiley.

Present-Not Voting.

Bailey of DeWitt.

#### Absent.

Harley. Morrow. McCollum. Page. McGregor.

Absent-Excused.

Brelsford.

The motion to recess was then adopted by the following vote:

### Yeas-13.

Astin.

Bailey of DeWitt.

Bailey of Harris.

Clark.

Darwin.

Hall.

Harris.

Hudspeth.

King.

Nugent.

Parr.

Smith.

Townsend.

### Nays-12.

Bee. Lattimore.
Conner. McNealus.
Cowell. Robbins.
Gibson. Suiter.
Henderson. Westbrook.
Johnson. Wiley.

### Absent.

arley. McCollum.

McGregor. Morrow.

Page.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

### Bills Signed.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Hobby, gave notice of signing, and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following bills: Senate Bill No. 246, "An Act to

authorize guardians of estates to make mineral leases, and prescribing the manner in which said mineral leases shall be made, repealing Chapter 131 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirtythird Legislature, approved April 3, 1913, and declaring an emergency." Senate Bill No. 129, "An Act to

amend Article 3759, Title 54, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, regulating sales under deed of trust, and providing for said sales and the method of giving notice, and

declaring an emergency."
Senate Bill No. 269, "An Act to provide that all expenditures for the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas may be made by order of the Board of Directors of said college, to be paid on warrants from the Comptroller, on vouchers ap-proved by the president of said board, or by some other officer or officers of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, designated by him in writing to the Comptroller,

and declaring an emergency."
Senate Bill No. 88, "An Act to amend Article 1676, Titile 34, Chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, by adding the following: And in the event the district judges shall be prevented from exchanging districts and the parties and their counsels shall fail to select or agree upon an attorney of the court for the trial thereof, which fact shall be certified to the Governor, by the district judge or special district judge, whereupon the Governor shall appoint some person legally qualified to act as judge in the trial thereof."

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 41, "An Act to amend Article 3496, entitled 'Estates of Decedents,' Chapter 22, Title 52, of the dents, Chapter 22, Title 52, of the Bee, Cowell, Hudspeth, McGregor, Revised Statutes of the State of Tex-McNealus, on the part of the Senate.

as, 1911, regulating the sale of property belonging to estates of decedents; to permit the sale of same upon terms as set forth in the bill."

#### After Recess.

(Friday, March 12, 1915.) The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Hobby at 10 o'clock, a. m., which was pursuant to the time the Senate recessed.

Free Conference Committee Report on Senate Bill No. 40.

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Hon. Jno. W. Woods, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Free Conference Committee, appointed to consider C. S. S. B. No. 40, have had same under consideration, and beg to report that the committee has adjusted the differences between the House and Senate, having accepted the House amendments, with the following exceptions:

- 1. Amend, page 2, line 6, after the word "company," add the following, "or any State institution." Also. in line 32, page 2, after the word "company," add the following, "the superintendent of any State institution."
- 2. Amend the caption, page 1, line 27, add after the word "enterprise," the following, "or any State institution."

And we have agreed on the following amendments in addition:

- 1. Amend C. S. S. B. No. 40, Section 1a, by striking out the words "one and one-half times," in next to the last line, and insert the word 'double" in lieu thereof.
- 2. Amend C. S. S. B. No. 40, by adding at the end of Section 1b the following: "Provided, that if such female is employed for more than nine hours in any one day she shall receive pay at the rate of double her regular pay for such time, as she is employed for more than nine hours per day."

And we recommend the adoption of this report.

Parks, Maddox, Cope, McAskill, Lewellyn, on part of the House.

The report was presented by Senator McNealus, and, on his motion, was adopted.

#### Bills and Resolutions.

(By unanimous consent.)

By Senator Westbrook:

S. B. No. 421, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Prosper Independent School District embracing territory in the counties of Collin and Denton, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

Note. — By unanimous consent, Senator Westbrook withdrew, later in the day, the bill from the Calendar.

By Senator Nugent:

S. B. No. 422. A bill to be entitled "An Act regulating the trial of suits to recover delinquent taxes from and including the years 1885 to 1905, fixing the burden of proof in such cases; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

### By Senator Page:

S. B. No. 423, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the working of public roads of Bastrop County, Texas, by all parties who may havefailed to pay their poll tax on or before January 31st of each year, and providing a penalty for those who are liable to said road duty under the terms of this Act by reason of their failure to pay their poll tax, and who shall fail to work said roads when notified to do so by proper authority, and creating an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

### Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

House Bill No. 605, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Burnet Independent School District, in Burnet County, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; divesting the city of Burnet of the control of its public free schools, and the title of all property now held and used for public school purposes; investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and provid-ing for the collection of school taxes heretofore assessed by the city of Burnet for the year 1915, and declaring an emergency."

House Bill No. 616, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Garrison Independent School District, situated in Rusk and Nacogdoches Counties, defining its metes and bounds, vesting it with rights, powers, duties and privileges of districts incorporated for school purposes only, under the general laws; providing for a board of nine trustees therefor; providing for an election in said districts for the acceptance or rejection of the provisions of this Act, and declaring an emergency," with engrossed rider.

House Bill No. 627, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 77, Acts of 1901, providing for a more efficient road system for Milam County, Texas; prescribing additional duties for county commissioners, and fixing their compensation."

House Bill No. 657, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 35, 36 and 39 of Chapter 79, of the Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirtieth Legislature, and approved April 15, 1907, by adding to Section 35, Section 35a; to Section 36, Section 36a, and to Section 39, Section 39a; said Act being an Act to create a more efficient road law for Lamar County, and defining the powers of Lamar County in collecting delinquent poll taxes by road working; regulating age limit; providing for report to be made by road overseers to grand jury, defining a legal warning for road hands, and declaring an emergency.'

House Bill No. 639, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 28b of the Special Road Law for Smith County, as amended at the

Special Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, and known as Chapter 2, Special Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, and creating an emergency, and providing for the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring all bills to be read on three several days.'

House Bill No. 641, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 9 of an Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, First Called Session, Chapter 5, Special Laws, entitled 'An Act creating an independent school district to be known as the Goliad Independent School District, including within its limits the unincorporated town of Goliad, in Goliad County, and to provide for a board of trustees and other officers in such district, to authorize the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and to issue and dispose of bonds of such district for the purpose of purchasing school sites and erecting, repairing, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to pay current expenses in the maintenance and support of the public schools therein, and to further prescribe the duties and authority of said board of trus-tees, and declaring an emergency."

House Bill No. 637, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a special road law for Johnson County, to provide for four precinct road superintendents; providing for salaries and bonds of said superintendents, and specifying duties of said precinct road superintendents, specifying the duty of precinct road superintendent, also the salary of county commissioner for road inspection: regulating the hiring of teams on said roads, and declaring an emergency.'

Respectfully, W. R. LONG,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

#### Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 183 and 216.

Action recurred on the pending business, C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 2.16, and

Senator McNealus offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out Section 6 of the committee substitute bill.

ment, which motion to table adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas—14.

Astin. Hudspeth. Bailey of DeWitt. King. McCollum. Bailey of Harris. Clark. Parr. Conner. Smith. Hall. Townsend. Harris. Wilev.

#### Nays-10.

Lattimore. Bee. Cowell. McGregor. Gibson. McNealus. Henderson. Nugent. Johnson. Westbrook.

Present-Not Voting.

Darwin.

Page.

Absent.

Harley. Morrow. Robbins.

#### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Brelsford (absent), who would vote "yea."

#### Simple Resolution No. 130.

(By unanimous consent.)

By Senator Townsend:

Whereas, Ex-Governor Thomas M. Campbell, a distinguished citizen of this State, is a visitor in the city this day; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Senate that he be invited to address the Senate, and be accorded the privileges of the floor.

resolution was read and The adopted.

The Chair appointed Senators Townsend, McCollum and Bee to notify Ex-Governor Campbell of the adoption of the resolution, and to escort him to the President's stand.

# Simple Resolution No. 131.

(By unanimous consent.)

Whereas, The Hon. Chas. L. Brachfield, "the Alberta" from East Texas, and formerly a distinguished After discussion, Senator Bailey of member of this body, is now in the Harris moved to table the amend-gallery; therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be invited to address the Senate and the courtesies of the floor be extended to him.

HUDSPETH, HENDERSON.

The resolution was read and adopted, and Senators Hudspeth, Henderson and Westbrook were requested to present former Senator Brachfield to the President's stand, whereupon Senator Brachfield thanked the Senate.

### Simple Resolution No. 132.

(By unanimous consent.)

Whereas, Hon. W. A. Hanger of Fort Worth, a former distinguished member of this body, is in the gallery; therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be invited to address the Senate and be accorded the privileges of the floor.

LATTIMORE, HUDSPETH.

The resolution was read and adopted, and Senators Lattimore, Mc-Nealus and Bailey of DeWitt were appointed to present former Senator Hanger to the Senate.

### Committee Substitute for Senate Bills Nos. 183 and 216.

Action here recurred on the pending business, C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, and

Senator Bailey of Harris offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted, being acted

on separately:

(2) Amend printed C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, by striking out the words "creating a petroleum commission with," in the caption, page 19, line 11, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "conferring on the Railroad Commission."

(3) Amend printed C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, by striking out the word "petroleum," in Section 3, page 22, line 16, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "railroad," and striking out the words "hereafter created," in the same Section, page 22, line 17.

(4) Amend printed C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, by striking out the word "petroleum," in Section 14, page 26, line 23, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "said."

(5) Amend printed C. S. for S. B. Hall.

Nos. 183 and 216, by striking out the word "railroad," in Section 9, page 24. line 23, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "said."

- (6) Amend printed C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, by striking out the words "the Railroad Commission of this State," in Section 7, page 23, line 30, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "said Commission."
- (7) Amend printed C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, by striking out in Section 1, page 21, lines 18 and 19, reading as follows: "Are hereby declared to be common carriers and subject to the provisions hereof," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Is hereby declared to be a common carrier and subject to the provisions hereof."

Senator Bailey of Harris offered the following amendment:

(8) Amend printed C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216, by striking out Sections 5 and 6, page 23, lines 5 to 21, inclusive, and by renumbering Section 7, page 23, line 22, as Section 5; Section 8, page 23, line 32, as Section 6, Section 9, page 24, line 19 as Section 7; Section 10, page 25, line 4, as Section 8; Section 11, page 25, line 23, as Section 9; Section 12, page 25, line 27, as Section 10; Section 13, page 26, line 17, as Section 11; Section 14, page 26, line 22, as Section 12; Section 15, page 26, line 27, as Section 16, page 26, line 29, as Section 14, Section 17, page 27, line 3, as Section 15.

The amendment was read and adopted by the following vote:

### Yeas—15.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. Bailey of Harris. Clark. Page. Parr. Smith. Darwin. Townsend. Harris. Wiley.

### Nays-8.

Bee. Johnson.
Cowell. McNealus.
Gibson. Nugent.
Henderson. Westbrook.

Present-Not Voting.

ll. Robbins.

#### Absent.

McGregor.

Morrow.

#### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Brelsford (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Lattimore (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Harley (absent), who would vote "yea." Here Senator Robbins offered a

motion in writing. There was objection to the motion, and after several points of order were made, the Chair directed the reading of the motion, which is as follows:

We move that: Whereas, The time of final adjournment is drawing near, and the Calendar of the Senate is in a crowded condition with local and general bills of vital interest to our people

and State; and, Whereas, The bill now under consideration bids fair to consume some considerable time in its discussion, thereby displacing our more importain bills,

Therefore, we move that further consideration of C. S. for S. B. Nos. 183 and 216 be deferred until Friday, March 19, 1915.

(Signed) Robbins, Westbrook, Cowell, Henderson, Conner, Lattimore, Nugent, Johnson, Gibson, Bee, Suiter, Darwin, Smith, McGregor, Townsend, McNealus.

The motion was read, and Senator Hudspeth moved the previous question on the engrossment of the bill, making the point of order that the motion was in order, in lieu of the motion of Senator Robbins et al.

The Chair held that the motion by Senator Robbins et al. was in order.

Senator Wiley made the point of order that the motion for the previous question on the bill should have precedence over the motion by Senator Robbins et al., to postpone consideration of the bill, citing under Rule 21 the motion for the previous question is given priority over the motion to postpone.

Pending discussion, Senator Clark moved that the Senate recess until 2 o'clock today, which motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas-11.

Astin.

. The same

Bailey of Harris.

Clark.	McCollun
Hall.	Page.
Harris.	Parr.
Hudspeth.	Smith.
King.	

#### Nays-16.

Bee.	McGregor.
Conner.	McNealus.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Darwin.	Robbins.
Gibson.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Westbrook.
Lattimore.	Wiley.

#### Absent.

Bailey of DeWitt. Morrow. Harley.

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

Action recurred on the pending bill, the question being on the point of order by Senator Wiley, and the Chair overruled the point of order.

Senator Lattimore moved the previous question on the motion by Senator Robbins et al., which mo-tion being duly seconded, was so ordered.

Action recurred on the motion by Senator Robbins et al., and the same was adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-14.

Bee.	McGregor.
Conner.	McNealus.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Darwin.	Robbins.
Gibson.	Smith.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Johnson.	Westbrook.

### Nays-12.

Astin.	Hudspeth.
Bailey of DeWitt.	King.
Bailey of Harris.	McCollum.
Clark.	Page.
Hall.	Parr.
Harris.	Wiley.

Absent.

Morrow.

### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Lattimore (present), who would vote "yea"; Senator Harley (absent), who would vote "nay." Senator Suiter (present), who would vote "yea"; Senator Brelsford

(absent), who would vote "nay."

adopted, and Senator Hudspeth made of Chapter 75, of the General Laws the point of order that it required of the State of Texas, entitled 'An two-thirds vote to adopt the motion Act to regulate the practice of veter-

order, and re-declared the motion

adopted. Senator Lattimore moved to reconsider the vote by which the mo-tion was adopted, and table the mo-

tion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### Senate Bill No. 419.

(By unanimous consent.)

On motion of Senator McCollum, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and S. B. No. 419 put on its second reading by the following vote:

#### Yeas-26.

Astin.	Lattimore.
Bailey of DeWitt.	McCollum.
Bailey of Harris.	McGregor.
Bee.	McNealus.
Clark.	Nugent.
Cowell.	Page.
Darwin.	Parr.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Smith.
Harris.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Westbrook.
King.	Wiley.

Present-Not Voting.

Conner.

Absent.

Harley. Johnson. Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

On motion of Senator McCollum, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report).

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 419, A bill to be en-

The Chair declared the motion titled "An Act to amend Section 5. to postpone the consideration of the inary medicine, surgery and denbill. The Chair overruled the point of amination of applicants for the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry; prescribing their powers and qualifications, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and

passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator McCollum the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 419 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas--27.

Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. Bailey of Harris. Bee. Clark. Cowell. Darwin. Gibson. Hall. Harris. Henderson. Hudspeth. Johnson. King.	Lattimore. McCollum. McGregor. McNealus. Nugent. Page. Parr. Robbins. Smith. Suiter. Townsend. Westbrook. Wiley.
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Present-Not Voting.

Conner.

Absent.

Harley.

Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-26.

Astin.	King.
Bailey of DeV	
Bailey of Har	ris. McCollum.
Bee.	McGregor.
Clark.	McNealus.
Cowell.	Nugent.
Darwin.	Page.
Gibson.	Robbins.
Hall.	Smith.
Harris.	Suiter.
Henderson.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Westbrook_
Johnson.	· Wiley.
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Nay-1.

Conner.

Absent.

Harley. Morrow. Parr.

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

Senator McCollum moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 419 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

. The motion to table prevailed.

#### Recess.

On motion of Senator Clark, the Senate at 12:30 o'clock p. m. recessed until 2:30 o'clock p. m. today.

#### After Recess.

(Afternoon Session.)

The Senate was called to order President Pro Tem Nugent.

### Senate Bill No. 382.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 382, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the owners or managers of pool halls or pool rooms to close their places of business at 9:30 p. m. each week day, defining the term pool hall or pool room, and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and

passed.

Senator Johnson moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 382 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### Senate Bill No. 372.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading, S. B. No. 372, A bill to be entitled H. B. No. 605, referred to An Act to diminish the civil mittee on Educational Affairs. "An

and criminal jurisdiction of the County Court of Franklin County, Texas, to conform to the risdiction of the district court ju-Franklin County, Texas, that require the county attorney of Franklin County, Texas, to assist the district attorney in the trial of all misdemeanor cases tried in the district court of said Franklin County, Texas, making the attorney's fees now allowed by law chargeable to each defendant who pleads guilty to a misdemeanor or is convicted of a mis-demeanor in the said district court of Franklin County, Texas, and to whom same shall be paid after said conviction or plea of guilty, and to repeal all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.'

The bill was read third time and. passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-24.

Astin. Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt. King. Bailey of Harris. Lattimore. Bee. McNealus. Clark. Nugent. Cowell. Parr. Robbins. Darwin. Gibson. Smith. Hall. Suiter. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Westbrook. Wiley. Hudspeth.

Present-Not Voting.

Conner.

#### Absent.

Harley. Morrow. McCollum. Page. McGregor.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Darwin moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 372 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### House Bills Referred.

The Chair, President Pro Tem. Nugent, referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills:

H. B. No. 605, referred to Com-

H. B. No. 616, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 627, referred to Committee on Public Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

H. B. No. 657, referred to Committee on Public Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

H. B. No. 639, referred to Committee on Public Roads, Bridges and Ferries

H. B. No. 641, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 637, referred to Committee on Public Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

#### Senate Bill No. 278.

Senator Wiley called up, as pend-

ing since February 27,

S. B. No. 278, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of sugar; requiring all original unbroken packages and original packages to be so branded or marked as to show the name of manufacturer, origin of product, weight, whether manufactured from cane, beets, sorghum, maple or palm; de-fining the terms original unbroken package and original package; providing penalties, and declaring an emergency,"

With pending proposed amendments, and the same were with-

drawn.

Senator Wiley offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted, being acted on separately:

- 1. Amend the bill, page 2, by striking out all of line 6 after the word "figures" and strike out the word "height" in line 7, and insert the word "sugar" after the word "containing" in line 8 and insert a period after the word "sugar" and strike out the remainder of line 8 and strike out all of lines 9, 10 and
- Amend the bill, page 2, by adding the following to Article 5 as "The words or terms amended: standard granulated, pure granulated, standard pure granulated. pure standard granulated, pure fine granulated, extra fine granulated, Pure cane, pure fine cane, or any other term containing the word pure, or any other term conveying the Hudspeth same meaning shall not be used as Johnson. the name or any part of the state- King.

ment placed upon any barrel, package, carton, case or receptacle containing sugar unless the contents of such barrel, package, carton, case, box or receptacle contains a percentage of sucrose of a test not less than 99.7 per cent pure sucrose.

Senator Cowell offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

3. Amend the bill, page 2, line 7, by inserting after the word "each" the words "original unbroken."

Senator Lattimore offered the folloing amendment, which was adopted:

4. Amend bill at end of Article 3, line 27, of printed bill by striking out period after the word "trade" and insert a semi-colon and add the fol-lowing: "Provided this term shall not include packages or quantities of sugar sold by a retail dealer, less in quantity than the original package or quantity bought or consigned to each retail dealer.

Senator Wiley offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted, being acted on separately:

- 5. Amend the bill, page 2, line 14, by removing the semi-colon after the word "man" and inserting a period, and by striking out all of line 14 after the word "man" and by striking out all of lines 15 and 16.
- 6. Amend the bill, page 2, line 20, by striking out the period at the end of line and insert the following: "for each violation or evasion of this law."

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Wiley, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and S. B. No. 278 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas-24.

Bailey of Harris. Lattimore. McCollum. Bee. Clark. McGregor. McNealus. Conner. Nugent. Cowell. Darwin. Parr Gibson. Robbins. Smith. Harris. Henderson. Suiter. Townsend. Hudspeth. Westhrook. Wilev.

Nay-1.

Bailey of DeWitt.

Absent.

Astin. Hall. Morrow. Page.

Harley.

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed.

Senator Wiley moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. No. 278 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

### Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

House Bill No. 66, a bill to be en titled "An Act to amend Chapter 109 (Senate Bill No. 230) of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirty-third Legislature at its regular session, approved April 2, 1913, relating to indemnity contracts between individuals, firms or corporations, defining certain classes of indemnity contracts, prescribing regulations therefor, fixing a license fee. permitting corporations to exchange such contracts; requiring submission of form of contracts to Commissioner of Insurance and Banking; defining legal status of such associations and fixing liability of members thereof; prescribing certain provisions of such contracts and manner of printing same; restricting the solicitation of such contracts; providing for report of agent or attorney of such associaion; fixing a penalty for the violation of this Act; providing for authority of Commissioner of Insurance and Banking to revoke certificates of authority, and declaring an emergency."

House Bill No. 72, a bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the employment of children in certain occupations; to provide for the issue of certificates of employment and permits and badges; to require seats to be provided for female employes under twenty-one years of age; to limit the hours of employment of children in certain occupations; to provide for

the inspection of factories and other places of employment for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the children are being employed in violation of this Act; and to fix penalties for the violation of this Act and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act." with engrossed rider.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11, granting F. G. Chambliss leave of absence from the State.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12, granting Judge W. R. Heath leave of absence from the State.

Senate Bill No. 39, a bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for and regulate the nomination by nolitical parties, of candidates for State offices, for Representatives in Congress, and for district and county officers, and for United States Senators, and to amend certain articles of Chapter 10, Title 49, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, and of Chapter 10a, Title 49, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas; to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency. The articles of said Chapter 10, Title 49, which are here amended, being the following: Article 3086, Article 3086a, Article 3095, Article 3139, and Article 3139b. Also amending and Article 3139b. Also amending Section 38. Chapter 39, of the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, First Called Session.

Substitute Senate Bill No. 201, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make it unlawful to dispose of agricultural rents; providing a penalty for the violations thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The House concures in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 561 by the following vote: Yeas 115, nays 0.

The House concurs in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 579 by the following vote: Yeas 116, nays 0.

The House concurs in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 373 by the following vote: Yeas 110, nays 0.

The House concurs in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 356 by the following vote: Yeas 111, nays 0.

The House concurs in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 153, no vote.

der twenty-one years of age; to limit the hours of employment of children in certain occupations; to provide for Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

#### Senate Bill No. 257.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 257, A. bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Article 1428, Chapter 18, Title 19, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, relating to the obtaining of board and lodging under false pretenses, and to enact new section in lieu thereof relating to the obtaining of board and lodging under false pretenses, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof."

The bill was read, and Senator Bailey of DeWitt offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by adding the following after the word "payment," in line 32, page 1, of the printed bill:

Provided that it shall be a complete defense to any prosecution under this law to prove by competent evidence that the proprietor or manager of such hotel, inn, boarding or eating house has fatled to observe and comply with all the requirements of the pure food laws of this State and other laws of this State regulating hotels, inns, boarding or eating house.

Senator McNealus made the point of order that the amendment was not germane to the bill.

The Chair, President Pro Tem. Nugent, overruled the point of order.

On motion of Senator McNealus the amendment was tabled by the following vote:

#### Yeas-15.

Bailey of Harris.
Bee.
Clark.
Gibson.
Harris.
Henderson.
Hudspeth.
McCollum.

McNealus.
Nugent.
Page.
Robbins.
Smith.
Suiter.
Wiley.

### Nays-8.

Astin. King.
Bailey of DeWitt. Parr.
Cowell. Townsend.
Johnson. Westbrook.

Present-Not Voting.

Conner. Lattimore. Darwin.

Absent.

Hall. Harley. McGregor. Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Townsend offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill, page 1, line 25, by adding after the word "refused" the following:

"When such party had insufficient funds on deposit with such person, firm or coporation upon which it may be drawn with which to liquidate such check or negotiable paper."

Senator Cowell offered the following amendment:

Amend bill by adding at end of Article 1428 the following:

Provided that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to any person when the food, lodging or other accommodations are obtained from a hotel, boarding or eating house whose owner or proprietor permits the waiters and servants to receive or accept tips from patrons or customers.

Senator McNealus moved to table the amendment, which motion to table was lost by he following vote:

#### Yeas-8.

Bee. McCollum.
Clark. McNealus.
Harris. Nugent.
Hudspeth. Page.

### Nays-17.

Lattimore. Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. Parr. Robbins. Cowell. Smith. Darwin. Gibson. Suiter. Townsend. Hall. Westbrook. Henderson. Wiley. Johnson. King.

Present-Not Voting.

Bailey of Harris. Conner.

Absent.

Morrow.

Harley. McGregor.

Absent-Excused.

Brelsford.

The amendment was then adopted. Senator Bee offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted, being acted on separately:

3. Amend by striking out in line 22, page 1, the words "show or" after the word "fictitious" and the word "of" after the word "pretense."

4. Amend by striking out in line 23, page 1, the words "any baggage or other property."

5. Amend by inserting in line 25, page 1, after word "be" the words 'wilfully and knowingly."

6. Amend by striking out in line 28, page 1, the words "attempts to remove.

Senator Bailey of DeWitt offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out all after the word "imprisonment," 21, page 1, of the printed bill.

### Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

House Bill No. 273, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 11 of the General Laws or the Thirtysecond Legislature, passed at the Regular Session thereof, approved August 31, 1911, being an Act entitled 'An Act to provide for the adoption of a system of uniform textbooks in this State, and the appointment of a Text-Book Board for such purpose; to authorize the adoption of other books; and to provide for a board of revision to keep the adopted books revised and up to date; to prohibit lobbying before the Text-Book Board by legal and special representatives of authors or publishers; to prescribe rules and regulations for board in entering into contracts on behalf of the State; to prescribe penalties for violation of the provisions of this Act; to provide for the enforcement of contracts entered into, and to make an appropriation to carry into effect the provisions hereof, and declaring an emergency,' providing that all text-books contracted for and furnished under the provisions of said Chapter 11 of the General Laws of said Thirty-second Session thereof and approved August 31, Clark.

1911, shall be prinetd, bound and all work and labor connected therewith, mechanical, skilled and otherwise, executed within this State; prescribing penalties for violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency.

The House adopted the Free Conference Committee report on Senate Bill No. 40.

Respectfully, W. R. LONG. Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

Address by Ex-Governor Campbell.

Here the committee appointed at the morning session, in accordance with a resolution inviting him to address the Senate, presented former Governor T. M. Campbell to the Senate, and, being introduced by Senator Nugent, addressed the Senate briefly.

(Lieutenant Governor Hobby in the chair.)

### Senate Bill No. 257.

(Pending business.)

Action recured on the pending business, Senate Bill No. 257, the question being on the amendment by Senator Bailey of DeWitt.

Senator McNealus moved to table the amendment, wrich motion to table was adopted.

Senator Bee offered the following amendment, which was read and

adopted:

Amend by adding in line 25, page after the word "knowingly" the following:

"And for the purpose of avoiding and evading paying the debt or obligation due by him."

Senator Henderson offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by striking out all after the word "baggage" in line 28 down to and including the word "name" in line 29.

Senator Hall moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed until March 19.

Senator McNealus moved to table the motion to postpone, and the same was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas-18.

Bee.

Conner. Cowell.

Darwin. McCollum.
Gibson. McNealus.
Harris. Robbins.
Henderson. Smith.
Hudspeth. Suiter.
Johnson. Westbrook.
Lattimore. Wiley.

#### Navs-6.

Bailey of DeWitt. King.
Bailey of Harris. Parr.
Hall. Townsend.

#### Absent.

Astin. Harley. McGregor. Morrow. Nugent. Page.

#### Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Bailey of Harris offered the following amendment:

Amend bill by striking out the word "person" wherever it occurs.
Senator McNealus moved to table

Senator McNealus moved to table the amendment, which motion was adopted.

Senator Hudspeth offered the following amendments, which were read and adopted, being acted on separately:

Amend the bill by striking out Section 2 and by inserting in lieu thereof a new section to be known as Section 2.

Section 2. The near approach of the close of the session, and the crowded condition of the Calendar creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and it is hereby suspended, and this bill shall take effect from and after its passage.

and after its passage.

Amend the bill by adding at the end of line 10 the following:

"And providing a penalty for what is commonly known as "tipping," and declaring an emergency.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

Astin. Gibson.
Bailey of Harris. Harris.
Bee. Henderson.
Clark. Hudspeth.
Conner. Johnson.
Cowell. King.
Darwin. Lattimore.

McCollum. McNealus. Parr. Robbins.

Smith

Sulter. Townsend. Westbrook. Wiley.

Nays-2.

Bailey of DeWitt. Hall.

#### Absent.

Harley. McGregor. Morrow. Nugent. Page.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

On motion of Senator McNealus, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and Senate Bill No. 258 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

King. Astin. Bailey of Harris. Lattimore. Bee. McCollum. McNealus. Clark. Conner. Parr. Robbins. Cowell. Darwin. Smith. Suiter. Gibson. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Westhrook. Wiley. Hudspeth. Johnson.

### Nays-2.

Bailey of DeWitt. Hall.

#### Absent.

Harley. McGregor. Morrow. Nugent. Page.

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-21.

Astin. Harris.
Bailey of Harris. Henderson.
Bee. Hudspeth.
Clark. Johnson.
Conner. King.
Cowell. Lattimore.
Darwin. McNealus.

Parr. Robbins. Smith.

Townsend. Westbrook. Wiley.

Suiter.

Navs-2.

Bailey of DeWitt. Hall.

Absent.

Gibson. Harley. McCollum. McGregor.

Morrow. Nugent. Page. .

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

Senator McNealus moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 257 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

## Senate Bill No. 360.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate,

on second reading,

Senate Bill No. 360, A bill to be entlitled "An Act to protect and preserve the public health; to reorganize and confer additional powers, duties and authority on the State Board of and Department of Health; to provide for the establishment and organization of county, municipal and village boards of health, and to define the powers, duties and authority of said boards, and poviding for the maintenance of same; to provide for the appointment of officers and employes and the commissioning of sanitary police with the powers of peace officers; to provide for general and local sanitation, including inspection of public and private premises, and authorizing the issuance of search warrants therefor, if necessary; to provide for maritime and land quarantine; to provide for the abatement of nuisances and other things detrimental to the public health, and constituting the violation of an order of the boards of health a misdemeanor, and providing punishment therefor; to provide for the reporting of dis-eases by physicians and other per-sons; to provide for the suppression of infectious and contagious diseases in any county, city or town, at the Hall. expense of such county, city or town, Harley. and authorizing commissioners courts Hudspeth. and city and town councils or com- King.

missioners to promulgate and enforce rules and regulations for the public health; to repeal all laws and parts of laws, general and special, in conflict with the provisions of this Act, and declaring an emergency." Senator Gibson moved to

pone the consideration of the bill un-

til March 19.

Senator Clark moved to table the motion to postpone, which motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas-8.

Astin. Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt. McNealus. Bailey of Harris. Suiter. Clark. Westbrook.

#### Nays-14.

Bee. Lattimore. Conner. McCollum. Cowell. Page. Darwin. Robbins. Gibson. Smith. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Wiley.

#### Absent.

Hall. McGregor. Harley. Morrow. Hudspeth. Nugent. Parr. King.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Lattimore moved, as a substitute, that the bill lie on the table subject to call, which motion was adopted by the following vote:

# Yeas—16.

Lattimore. Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. McNealus. Bailey of Harris. Parr. Bee. Smith. Clark. Suiter. Cowell. Townsend. Darwin. Westbrook. Johnson. Wiley.

# Nays-6.

Conner. Henderson. Gibson. McCollum. Harris. Robbins.

# Absent.

McGregor. Morrow. Nugent. Page.

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## Absent-Excused.

Brelsford.

# Senate Bill No. 392.

Senator Lattimore asked unanimous consent to take up S. B. No. 392, but there was objection, and

Senator Lattimore moved to suspend the regular order of business and take up, out of its order, S. B. No. 392.

The motion was adopted by the following vote, a four-fifths vote being necessary:

## Yeas-21.

Astin. Hudspeth. Bailey of DeWitt. King. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris. McGregor. Ree. Clark. McNealus. Cowell. Page. Darwin. Parr. Gibson. Smith. Hall. Suiter. Wiley. Harris. Henderson.

Nays-4.

Conner. Johnson. Townsend. Westbrook.

Present-Not Voting.

McCollum.

Absent.

Harley. Morrow. Nugent. Robbins.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

The Chair laid before the Senate. on second reading,

S. B. No. 392, A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Article 1164 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, relating to the employment or use of the stock, means, assets or other property of a corporation, and declaring for what purposes such stock, means, assets and property may be used, and declaring an emergency."

# Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

I am directed by the House Morrow. Sir:

to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

House Joint Resolution No. 5, proposing and submitting to a vote of the people of Texas an amendment to Section 49, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the purchase of lands by the State for purposes of sale to actual settlers for homestead purposes, with engrossed rider.

House Joint Resolution No. 10, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of this State relating to taxaion, and exempting from all taxes for ten years woolen and cotton factories now built or that may here-

after be built.

The House concurs in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 93.

The House concurs in Senate amendments to House Bill No. 113. ments to ..... Respectfully, W. R. LONG,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

# Recess.

Senator Page asked unanimous consent to take up a bill, and

Pending discussion, Senator Townsent, at 5:50 o'clock p. m. moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Senator Hall moved, as a substitute, that the Senate recess until 8

o'clock tonight. Action recurred on the motion to

adjourn, and the same was lost by the following vote:

# Yeas-12.

Bailey of DeWitt. Hudspeth. Clark. McGregor. Page. Conner. Robbins. Darwin. Townsend. Gibson. Westbrook. Henderson.

# Nays--15.

Astin. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris. McCollum. McNealus. Bee. ිowell. Parr. Smith. Hall. Suiter. Harrig Wiley. Johnson. King.

# Absent.

Harley.

Nugent.

#### Absent—Excused.

#### Brelsford.

Action recurred on the substitute motion to recess until 8 o'clock tonight and the same was adopted by the following vote:

## Yeas-14.

Bailey of DeWitt. King.
Clark. Robbins.
Conner. Smith.
Darwin. Suiter.
Gibson. Townsend.
Hall. Westbrook.
Henderson. Wiley.

# Nays-13.

Astin. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris. McCollum. McGregor. Cowell. McNealus. Page. Hudspeth. Johnson.

#### Absent.

Harley. Nugent.
Morrow.
Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

# After Recess.

(Night Session.)

The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Hobby.

# House Bills Referred.

The Chair, Lieutenant Governor Hobby, referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills:

H. B. No. 273, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

H. B. No. 72, referred to Committee on Labor.

H. B. No. 66, referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

H. J. R. No. 10, referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments

H. J. R. No. 5, referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

# Senate Bill No. 411.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

S. B. No. 411, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the purchase of certain lands and improvements thereof, in Washington County, Texas, the same being the lands upon which there has been erected a monument commemorating the fact that at said point was located the first capitol of Texas, etc., making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

On motion of Senator Bailey of DeWitt, the bill was passed to engrossment, the vote being taken by a rising vote and was unanimous.

On motion of Senator Page, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and Senate Bill No. 411 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-26.

Johnson. Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. King. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris. McCollum. Bee. Clark. McNealus. Nugent. Conner. Cowell. Page. Darwin. Parr. Robbins. Gibson. Hall. Smith. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Westbrook. Hudspeth. Wiley.

# Absent.

Harley. McGregor.

Morrow. Suiter.

Absent-Excused.

# Brelsford.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-26.

Henderson. Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. Hudspeth. Bailey of Harris. Johnson. King. Bee. Clark. Lattimore. McCollum. Conner. Cowell. McNealus. Nugent. Darwin. Gibson. Page. Hall. Parr. Harris. Robbins.

Smith.
Townsend.

Westbrook. Wiley.

#### Absent.

Harley. McGregor. Morrow. Suiter.

#### Absent-Excused.

## Breisford.

Senator Page moved to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 411 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# House Bill No. 642.

(By unanimous consent.)

On motion of Senator Parr, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and House Bill No. 642 put on its second reading by the following vote:

#### Yeas-26.

Astin. Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt. King. Bailey of Harris. Lattimore. Bee. McCollum. Clark. McNealus. Conner Nugent. Cowell. Page. Darwin. Parr Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Westbrook. Hudspeth. Wiley.

# Absent.

Harley. McGregor. Morrow. Suiter.

# Absent-Excused.

# Brelsford.

On motion of Senator Parr, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report).

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 642, A bill creating the Wentz Independent School District in McMullen County.

The bill was read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Parr, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and H. B. No. 642 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-26.

Astin. Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt. King. Bailey of Harris. Lattimore. Bee. McCollum Clark. McNealus. Conner. Nugent. Page. Cowell. Darwin. Parr. Gibson. Robbins Hall. Smith. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Westbrook. Hudspeth. Wiley.

#### Absent.

Harley. McGregor. Morrow. Suiter.

# Absent-Excused.

## Brelsford.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed by the following vote:

# Yeas--26.

Astin. Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt. King. Bailey of Harris. Lattimore. Bee. McCollum. Clark. McNealus. Conner. Nugent. Cowell. Page. Darwin. Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Westbrook. Wiley. Hudspeth.

# Absent.

Harley. McGregor. Morrow. Suiter.

# Absent-Excused.

# Breisford.

Senator Parr moved to reconsider the vote by which H. B. No. 642 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# Senate Bill No. 392.

(Pending business.)

Action recurred on the pending business, S. B. No. 392, which had been read second time, and,

Senator Conner offered the follow

ing amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out all of Section 1 in third line from bottom of page 721, Senate Journal, after the word "activities."

(Senator Hudspeth in the chair.)

At 9:40 o'clock, p. m., Senator Clark moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, but the motion was lost.

Action recurred on the amendment to S. B. No. 392 and, Senator Latimore moved to table same, which motion to table was adopted by the following vote:

# Yeas-21.

Astin. Lattimore. Bailey of DeWitt. McCollum. Bailey of Harris. McNealus. Bee. Nugent. Cowell. Page. Darwin. Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Hall. Smith. Harris. Suiter. Henderson. Wiley. Hudspeth.

Nays-4.

Conner. Johnson. Townsend. Westbrook.

Absent

Clark. Harley.

McGregor. Morrow.

King.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

Senator Conner offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill after the phrase "nothing in this section shall be held to inhibit corporations" by inserting the following: "except railroad corporations."

Senator Lattimore moved to table the amendment, which motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas-18.

"ailey of DeWitt. Gibson. Bailey of Harris. Hall.

Harris. Henderson. Hudspeth. Lattimore. McCollum. Nugent.

Page. Parr. Robbins. Smith. Suiter. Wiley.

Nays-7.

Conner. Cowell. Darwin. Johnson.

McNealus. Townsend. Westbrook.

Absent.

Clark. Harley. King.

McGregor. Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

Brelsford.

Senator Townsend offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by adding Section

2 thereto as follows: Section 2. Any corporation violating the provisions of Section 1 of this Act shall be punished by a fine of not less than two hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars for each violation, and may in addi-

tion have its charter forfeited upon petition of the Attorney General of

this State.

TOWNSEND WESTBROOK.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved to table the amendment, which motion to table was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas-16.

Henderson. Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. Hudspeth. Bailey of Harris. Bee.

Lattimore. McCollum. Nugent. Parr.

Gibson. Hall. Harris.

Cowell.

Robbins. Smith.

Nays-7.

Darwin. Johnson. McNealus. Suiter.

Townsend. Westbrook. Wiley.

Absent.

Clark. Harley. King.

McGregor. Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

#### Pairs Recorded.

Senator Conner (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Page (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Lattimore offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

1. Amend the caption of the bill by inserting after the word "used" the following: "penalizing the officers or agents of such corporation or other organization who wrongfully use the moneys contributed thereto. And amend the body of the bill by inserting in place of the present Section 2 a new section numbered 2, and reading as follows:

Section 2. If any officer, agent or employe of such commercial clubs. associations or other civic enterprise or organization, shall use or permit the use of any money contributed to such organization by said corporations to further the cause of any political party, or to aid in the election or defeat of any candidate for office; or to pay any part of the expenses of any political campaign, or political headquarters or to aid in the success or defeat or any political question of the State or any subdivision thereof; such officer, agent or employe shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five nor more than one thousand dollars.

And by renumbering Section 2 as Section 3.

Senator Townsend offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by adding the following at the end of Section 1:

Provided, that the provisions of this Act shall not in any wise affect any suit now pending in this State on the behalf of the State of Texas for any violation or unlawful contributions by any corporation.

Senator Townsend offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by adding the following at the end of Section 1 of this Act:

Provided, that this Act shall not apply to breweries incorporated, domestic or foreign.

Senator Bee moved to table the amendment.

Senator Bailey of Harris moved the previous question on the motion to table and the engrossment of the bill, which motion, being duly seconded, was so ordered.

The motion to table was adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-16.

Astin.
Bailey of DeWitt.
Bailey of Harris.
Bee.
Gibson.
Hall.
Harris.
Henderson.
Hudspeth.
King.
Lattimore.
McCollum.
Nugent.
Parr.
Robbins.
Wiley.

# Nays-7.

Darwin. Suiter.
Johnson. Townsend.
McNealus. Westbrook.
Smith.

Present-Not Voting.

Cowell.

#### Absent.

Clark. McGregor. Harley. Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

# Pairs Recorded.

Senator Conner (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Page (absent), who would vote "yea."

The bill, having already been read, was passed to engrossment by the following vote:

# Yeas-20.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris. McCollum. Bee. McNealus. Cowell. Nugent. Gibson. Parr. Hall. Robbins. Harris. Smith. Henderson. Suiter. Hudspeth. Wiley.

# Nays-4..

Darwin. Johnson. Townsend. Westbrook.

# Absent.

Clark. Harley. McGregor. Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Brelsford.

# Pairs Recorded.

Senator Conner (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Page (absent), who would vote "yea."

On motion of Senator Lattimore, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and S. B. No. 292 put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-22.

Astin. Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt. King. Bailey of Harris. Lattimore. McCollum. Conner. McNealus. Cowell. Nugent. Gibson. Parr. Robbins. Hall. Harris. Smith. Henderson. Suiter. Hudspeth. Wiley.

#### Nays—-3.

Darwin. Townsend. Westbrook.

Absent.

Clark. Harley.

Morrow. Page.

McGregor.

Absent—Excused.

Brelsford.

The bill was laid before Senate, read third time, and Senator Suiter effered the following amendment:

Amend the bill as printed in the journal by inserting after the word "other" in last line of the first column the word "local."

The amendment was read and adopted by the following vote:

# Yeas-25.

Astin. King. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris. McCollum. Ree. McNealus. Conner. Nugent. Cowell. Parr. Robbins. Darwin. Gibson. Smith. Hall. Suiter. Harris. Townsend. Henderson. Westbrook. Hudspeth. Wiley. Johnson.

# Absent.

Clark.

Harley.

McGregor.

Page.

Morrow.

Absent—Excused.

Breisford.

The bill was passed finally by the following vote:

## Yeas-19.

Lattimore. Astin. Bailey of DeWitt. McCollum. Bailey of Harris. McNealus. Bee. Nugent. Cowell. Parr. Gibson. Robbins. Harris. Smith. Henderson. Suiter. Hudspeth. Wiley. King.

# Nays-4.

Darwin. Johnson. Townsend. Westbrook.

#### Absent.

Clark. Hall. Harley.

McGregor. Morrow.

Absent-Excused.

Breisford.

# Pairs Recorded.

Senator Conner (present), who would vote "nay"; Senator Page (absent), who would vote "yea."

Senator Lattimore moved to reconsider the vote by which S. B. 392 was passed and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table pevailed.

# House Joint Resolution No. 4.

(By unanimous consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading,

H. J. R. No. 4, proposing an amendment to Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution authorizing the levy and collection of a special road tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property in any county, division or subdivision or defined district thereof, when the same has been authorized by a majority of the qualified electors voting at an election held for that purpose.

Senator Darwin offered the follow-

and adopted, being acted on separate-

- 1. Amend the resolution, page 2. line 8, by inserting between the woods 'other" and "improvements" the word "permanent."
- Amend the resolution, page 2, 2. line 10, by inserting between the words "as" and "in," the word "is."
- 3. Amend the resolution, page 2, line 13, by inserting between the wards "qualified and tax" the word 'property.''
- 4. Amend the resolution, page 2. lines 14 and 15, by striking out the letter "a" before the word "County" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "the."
- Amend the resolution, page 2, line 16, by striking out all after the word "county" down to and including the word "vote" in line 17.
- Amend the resolution, page 2. line 27, by striking out the words "third" and "August" and by inserting in lieu thereof the "Fourth" and "July." words ing in

Senator Astin offered the following amendment:

Amend the printed resolution, page 2, line 18, by striking out the word "fifty" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "fifteen."

Senator Darwin moved to table the which motion to table amendment, was adopted.

Senator Wiley offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill, page 2, line 9, by striking out the words "twenty-five cents" and insert the words "one dollar.

Senator Astin moved to table the amendment, which motion to table was lost.

The amendment was adopted. The resolution was passed to a third reading.

Senator Darwin moved to reconsider the vote by which H. J. R. No. 4 was passed to third reading and table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

# House Bill No. 491.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

H. B. No. 491, A bill to be entitled dependent School District, in Coman- a third reading.

ing amendments, which were read che County, Texas, for free school purposes only."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read second time, and passed to a third reading.

# House Bill No. 418.

The Chair laid before the Senate. on second reading,

H. B. No. 418, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7235, Chapter 6, Title 124, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, and amend Chapter 72, House Bill No. 827, General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, page 131, with reference to the mode of preventing horses and certain other animals from running at large in counties named so as to include Matagorda County."

The committee report, that bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was laid before the Senate. read second time, and passed to a third reading.

(Lieutenant Governor Hobby in the chair.)

#### House Bill No. 428.

The chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

H. B. No. 428, A bill to be entitled An Act to incorporate Comanche Independent School District in Comanche County, for free school purposes only."

The committee report was adopted. The bill was laid before the Senate, read second time, and passed to a third reading.

# House Bill No. 366.

The Chair laid before the Senate. on second reading,

H. B. No. 366, A bill to be entitled "An Act to relieve certain citizens who irrigate farms from injury and loss by reason of the fact that Section 12 of the Acts of the Thirtythird Legislature of Texas, approved April 9, 1913, requires that files shall be made within one year after said Act went into effect, and not thereafter."

The bill was laid before the Sen-"An Act to incorporate De Leon In- ate, read second time, and passed to

# Message From the House.

Hall of the House of Representatives. Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate:

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

House Bill No. 91, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for recording tax receipts; for providing proper record books for the same, and making it a penal offense for tax collectors to fail or refuse to enter tax payments on their stubs or records in tax col-lectors' offices."

House Bill No. 114, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the sale of land that may have been or may hereafter be sold to the State of Texas, under judgment foreclosing tax lien, providing a method of conveying same and the disposition of the proceeds of such sale and freeing such land when sold from any other accrued State and county taxes.," with engrossed rider.

House Bill No. 156, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 475 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, 1911, relating to the carrying of arms into a church or other assembly; and providing adequate punishment therefor."

House Bill No. 149, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1066, Title 32, Chapter 5, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, as amended by Act approved February 24, 1905, of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, relating to the employment of stenographers by the Court of Civil Appeals.'

House Bill No. 189, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7642, of Chapter 13, Title 126, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended at the First Called Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, Chapter 17, page 25, Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, providing for the redemption by the owner of the lands or lots theretofore sold, or that may hereafter be sold to the State, city or town for taxes."

Respectfully,

W. R. LONG, Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

# House Bills Referred.

had been read, the following House bills:

H. B. No. 91, referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

H. B. No. 114, reference No. 1. referred to Judi-

H. B. No. 156, referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

H. B. No. 149, referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

H. B. No. 189, referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

#### Senate Bill No. 316.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

S. B. No. 316, A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 12, Chapter 5, of the General Laws of the Thirtysecond Legislature, as amended Section 1, Chapter 176, of the General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, and adding thereto subdivision (d), and declaring an emergency.

The bill was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed.

#### Senate Bill No. 413.

The Chair laid before the Senate. on second reading,

S. B. No. 413, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Clarendon Independent School District in Donley County, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was laid before the Senate, read second time, and passed to engrossment.

# Senate Bill No. 369.

The Chair laid before the Senate. on second reading,

S. B. No. 369, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 12 of the Medina County special road law, enacted by the Thirtieth Legislature of Texas, Chapter 28, so as to provide additional compensation for county commissioners when acting as road commissioners."

The committee report was adopted. The bill was laid before the Senate, read second time, and passed to engrossment.

# Bills Signed.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Hobby) gave notice of signing and Hobby) referred, after their captions did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read, the following bills:

S. B. No. 71, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize, empower and permit Aransas County, upon a vote of two-thirds majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon who are qualified electors of said county, to issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of Aransas County, and to levy and collect taxes to pay the interest on said bonds, and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof, authorized by Article 3, Section 52, of the Constitution; maintaining and operating a macadamized, graveled or paved road or turnpike, or in aid thereof, in said county, so as to connect the public road system of said county lying north of Copeno Bay with the public road system of said county on Live Oak Peninsula: adopting certain provisions of the general laws, and declaring an emecgency.

S. B. No. 253, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate twenty-five thousand dollars for the use of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas, to make and enforce quarantine rules and regulations against introduction into Texas of foot and mouth disease among live stock, and to disinfect or destroy premises where necessary, and to kill such live stock as may be necessary to stamp out and prevent the spread of such disease, if introduced in Texas, and to pay for property destroyed, and carrying out quarantine; disinfecting premises an t other expenses connected therewith: and to authorize the Live Stock Sanit: ry Commission to act in conjunction with the Bureu of Animal Industry of the United States in the killing and destroying such animals and premises, and in disinfecting premises, and paying therefor out of such appropriation, and to provide penalties for violation of such rules and regulations, and for other purposes."

S. B. No. 401, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Davisville Indopendent School District in Angelina County."

S. B. No. 152, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that all property or moneys received as compensation for personal injuries sustained by the wife shall be her separate property, and declaring an emergency."

Senate Bill No. 287, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the relief of railway corporations having charters granted or amended since the first day of January, 1892, and which have failed or are about to fail, to construct their roads and branches, or any part thereof, within the time required by law, and declaring an emergency."

Senate Bill No. 76, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the Act of the Twenty-eighth Legislature of Texas (Laws of Special Session, Chapter 1), entitled 'An Act to render more effective and efficient the present road law in the State of Texas and its application and operation in the counties of Guadalupe, Caldwell, Bee, Jackson, Grimes, Comal, Colorado, Gillespie, Wood, Jefferson, Maverick; to authorize and empower the said counties to issue bonds for the construction or purchasing of bridges and construction and maintenance of public roads and highways within the said counties and regulating the compensation of certain officers,' and amended by an Act passed by the Twentyninth Legislature; H. B. No. 173, approved March 29, 1905, and further amended by the Thirty-second Legislature; S. B. No. 69, approved February 20, 1911, by further omitting the county of Wood from said Act, and to hereafter read as follows, and declaring an emergency."

House Bill No. 402, A bill to be entitled "An Act to compel attendance upon public schools of Texas by children between the ages of eight and fourteen years; providing that the term said children shall be required to attend for the scholastic year beginning September 1, 1917, shall be ninety days, and the term beginning September 1, 1918, and each subsequent year thereafter shall be one hundred and twenty days; prescribing certain exemptions from such requirements of attendance, etc., and declaring an emergency."

# Adjournment.

On motion of Senator Bailey of DeWitt, the Senate, at 11 o'clock, p. m., adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

#### APPENDIX.

# Senate Joint Resolution No. 13.

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915. Hon. W. B. Hobby, President of the Senate.

We, your Committee on Constitutional Amednments, to whomwas referred

S. J. R. No. 13, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, but be not printed, but be printed in the Journal.

M'GREGOR, Chairman. Following is the resolution in full:

By McGregor. S. J. R. No. 13. A resolution proposing and submitting to a vote of the people of Texas an amendment to Section 2, of Article 6, of the Constitution prescribing those entitled to exercise the right of suffrage within the State of Texas, providing for proclamation by the Governor for the submission of said constitutional amendment on the fourth Saturday in July, A. D. 1915, and providing for the ballot therefor, and making an appropriation to defray expenses for holding of election.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of The State of Texas:

That Section 2, of Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows, to wit:

Sec. 2. Every person subject to none of the foregoing qualifications who shall have attained the age of 21 years and who shall be a citizen of the United States, and who shall have resided in this State one year next preceding an election and the last six months within the district or county in which he or she offers to vote, shall be deemed a qualified elector. And every person of foreign birth subject to none of the foregoing disqualifications who not less than six months before any election at which he or she offers to vote, shall have declared his or her intention to become a citizen of the United States in accordance with the Federal naturalization laws, and shall have resided in this State one

year next preceding such election and the last six months in the county in which he or she offers to vote, shall also be deemed a qualified elector. Provided, that electors living in unorganized counties may vote at any election precinct in the county in which such county is attached for judicial purposes; and, provided further, that the payment of a poll tax under the laws of the State of Texas and the holding of a receipt therefor, shall never hereafter be a part of the qualifications of any elector nor a condition precedent of the right of any elector to vote at any election in this State; and, provided further, that no religious, literary or educational requirements or tests shall ever be made a part of the qualification of any elector in this State to vote at any such election. The qualification fixed for electors herein shall never be enlarged or in any way restricted by any authority whatsoever and the provisions of the Constitution shall be self-enacting without the necessity of any legislation.
Sec. 3. The Governor is hereby

Sec. 3. The Governor is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for submitting this amendment to the Constitution to the qualified electors of the State of Texas on the fourth Tuesday in July, A. D. 1915, same being the Twenty-seventh of said month. Those favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For the amendment of Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas," and those opposed to the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment of Section 2, Article 6, of the Constitution of the State of Texas."

Sec. 4. The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses for carrying out the provisions of this resolution

Senate Joint Resolution No. 18.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

stitutional Amendments, to whom was referred Senate Joint Resolution No. 18, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed, but be printed in the Journal.

M'GREGOR, Chairman. Following is the resolution in full:

S. J. R. No. 18. Proposing and submitting to a vote of the people of Texas an amendment to Sections 52, of Article 3, of the Constitution, authorizing the issuance of bonds for public improvements, and the levving of a tax to pay the interest and sinking fund on same, and for maintenance.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of

the State of Texas: Section 1. That Section 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as hereafter to read as follows, to wit:

Sec. 52. The Legislature shall have no power to authorize any county, city, town or other political corporation or subdivisions of the State to lend its credit or to grant public money or thing of value in aid of, or to, any individual, association or corporation whatsoever, or to become a stockholder in such corporation, association or company; providing, however, that under Legislative provision any county, political subdivision of a county or any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within the State of Texas, and which may or may not include towns, villages or municipal corporations, upon a vote of a two-thirds majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon who are qualified electors of such district or territory to be affected thereby, in addition to all other debts, may issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such district or territory, except that the total bonded indebtedness of any city or town shall never exceed the limits imposed by other provisions of this Constitution; and may levy and collect such taxes to pay the interest thereon and provide a sinking fund for the redemp-

Sir: We, your Committee on Con- authorize, and in such manner as it may authorize the same for the following purposes, to wit:

- (a) The improvement of rivers, creeks and streams to prevent overflows, and to permit of navigation thereof, or in aid of such purposes.
- (b) The construction and maintenance of pools, lakes, reservoirs, dams, canals and waterways for the purposes of irrigation, drainage or navigation or in aid thereof.
- The construction, (c) nance and operation of macadamized. graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof.

Provided, however, that under legislative enactment any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within the State of Texas, which may be formed for the purpose of reclaiming and improving overflowed and swamp lands in this State, and maintaining the improvements thereof, may, upon a vote of two-thirds majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon who are qualified electors voting of such district or territory, in addition to all other debts, issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed 50 per cent of the assessed valuation of the real property in such district or territory.

Provided, further, that where a county, district or other political subdivision has issued bonds for improvements for the purposes named in this section, the Legislature may authorize the levy and collection of taxes for the maintenanace of such improvements, not to exceed fifty cents on the hundred dollars valua-

tion in any one year.

Sec. 2. The foregoing amendment of Section 52, of Article 3, of the Constitution of Texas, shall be submitted to the qualified electors of this State for its adoption or rejection at a special election hereby ordered for the..... ..... A. D. 1915, the same being the ... .... day of said month. All voters on this proposed amendment at said election who favor its adoption shall have printed or written on their ballots the following: "For amendment of Section 52, of Article 3, of the Constitution, authorizing the istion thereof as the Legislature may suance of bonds for levees, drainage, read and other public improvements and for the taxes therefor." Those voting against its adoption shall have printed or written on their ballots the following words: "Against the amendment of Section 52, of Article 3, of the Constitution, authorizing the issuance of bonds for levee, drainage, road and other public improvements, and for taxes therefor." Previous to the election the Secretary of State shall cause to be printed and forwarded to the county judge of each county, for use in said election, a sufficient number of ballots for the use of the voters in each county on which he shall have printed the form of ballot herein prescribed for the convenient use of voters.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue his necessary proclamation ordering this election, and have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State. The sum of five thousand (\$5000), dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of publishing said proclamation and printing and distributing the necessary tickets and blanks for use in said election.

# Senate Bill No. 414.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby. President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee Sir: No. 1, to whom was referred S. B. No. 414,

Have had the same under consideration, and we beg to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be printed in the Journal.

LATTIMORE, Acting Chairman. The following is the bill in full.

By Bee.

S. B. No. 414.

A BILL

To be entitled

A Special Law for the preservation of bass and other fish of the bass

water which is located in the valley of the Medina river from where the lower or diversion dam above the town of Castroville crosses the Medina river, in Medina County, Texas, to a point on the Medina river in Bandera County, Texas, which by following the meanders of the Medina river upward toward its source, shall constitute a distance of 25 miles, and in any of the waters which are impounded by the lower or diversion dam above the town of Castroville in Medina County, Texas, and in any of the waters that are impounded by the upper or main dam in Medina County, Texas, which is located about four miles above said lower or diversion dam; and making it unlawful to catch and retain, or have possession of, any bass, or other fish of the bass species weighing less than one pound, or to catch and retain, or have possession of, in any one day, a total aggregate of more than ten bass or other fish of the bass species, or to catch and retain, or have possession of, in any one day, a total aggregate of more than 20 perch, crappie or sunfish, or other fish of the perch, crappie or sunfish species, and making it unlawful to use a dowagiac or similar device for catching fish during the months of March, April and May of any year, and making it unlawful to sell, offer for sale, or buy, any fish caught in any of said waters, and providing that the special Act shall be cumulative of the General Laws of the State and not repeal same, and provid-ing for a penalty for violation of said special law, and declaring an emergency, and fixing the venue of the prosecutions for violations of the law, and providing it shall not be unlawful to catch and retain more than twenty perch to be used for bait, provided none of such perch so caught for bait are larger than two inches long.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, who shall fish in any water which is located in the valley of the Medina river, from where the species, and of perch, sunfish lower or diversion dam above the and crappie, and other fish of the town of Castroville crosses the Meperch, sunfish and crappie species, dina river, in Medina County, Texin the following locality: In any as, to a point on the Medina river,

following the meanders of the Medina river upward toward its source, shall constitute a distance of 25 miles, or in any water which is impounded in Medina County, Texas, by said lower or diversion dam, or in any water which is impounded in Medina County, Texas, and in Bandera County, Texas, by what is known as the upper or main dam which crosses the Medina river a distance of about four miles above the said lower or diversion dam, to catch and retain, or have in his possession, any bass, or other fish of the bass species, which shall weigh less than one pound; or to catch and retain, or have in his possession, in any one day, more than a total aggregate of ten bass or other fish of the bass species; or to catch and retain, or have in his possssion in any one day, a total aggregate of more than 20 perch, crappie or sunfish, or other fish of the perch, crappie or sunfish species, which shall be larger than two inches long; or shall at any time during the months of March, April and May of any year, make use of a dowagiac or other similar device for catching fish, but this provision shall not prohibit what is known as fly fishing.

Sec. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, or offer for sale, or to buy, any fish caught in any of the waters described in Section 1 hereof.

Sec. 3. Any person violating any provision of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than \$5.00, nor more than \$15.00 for each violation of this law, and each fish caught in violation of this Act shall be deemed a separate violation hereof, and a separate offense, and he may be prosecuted either in the county where the fish are caught, or where he is found with them in his possession, or where the fish are sold, or bought, or where they are offered for sale.

Sec. 4. This special law is meant to be cumulative of the General Laws of the State of Texas, and is not meant to repeal the General Laws of the State of Texas.

Sec. 5. Nothing in this Act shall prohibit the catching of more than State between the ages of 21 and twenty perch or sunfish to be used 60 years shall be set apart annually for bait, provided none of the perch for the benefit of the public free or sunfish so caught to be used for schools, and in addition thereto

in Bandera County, Texas, which by bait shall be larger than two inches in length.

Sec. 6. The fact that there is no adequate law which protects the fish in the locality described in Section 1 of this Act, and the fact that the fish meant to be protected by this Act in the locality described in Section 1 hereof, are being caught in great quantities by persons who make no use thereof, creates such an emergency and an imperative public necessity necessitating that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, be suspended, and the rule is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

#### House Joint Resolution No. 30.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred H. J. R. No. 30,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed, but be printed in the Journal.

M'GREGOR, Chairman.

Following is the resolution in full: By Beard of Milam. H. J. R. No. 30. A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the county.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended to hereafter read as follows:

School Taxes.—One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of \$1.00 on every male inhabitant of this there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100.00 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year. The Legislature may also authorize the levy, assessment and collection of an annual ad valorem county tax within the counties of this State, not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of property situated within the county; provided, a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax, for the purpose of maintaining the public free schools of the county; and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties; and the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed, or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided, that a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed in any one year 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such districts, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns, constituting separate and independent school districts; provided, that independent school districts shall not be prevented from voting such rate of taxation as may be deemed adequate to carry on the public schools of such dis-eration, and beg to report the same

tricts. not to exceed \$1.00 \$100.00 valuation of property in such districts.

The Governor of this State Sec. 2. is hereby instructed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election, to be held in November, 1916, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county." And those opposed to this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county.

Sec. 3. The sum of \$5,000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary therefor, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

House amendment:

Amend H. J. R. No. 30, Section 2, page 2, by striking out all after "Texas," in line 11, and all to and including "1916," in line 11, and all to and including "1916," in line 12, and insert in lieu thereof the words "the fourth Saturday in July, 1915."

Amend caption of H. J. R. No. 30, page 1, line 11, after the words "county," by inserting "and independent districts not to be prevented from voting adequate amount needed to sustain schools, not to exceed \$1.00 per \$100.00 valuation of property."

# Senate Bill No. 418.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred S. B. No. 418,

Have had the same under consid-

back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, and that it be not printed, but be printed in the Journal.

HUDSPETH. Chairman.

Following is the bill in full:

By Hudspeth.

S. B. No. 418.

# A BILL To be entitled

An Act to amend Article 1120, of Title 15, of Chapter 2, of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, relating to fees of district attorneys of districts composed of two counties or more, and to provide for assistant district attorneys in certain districts, and to provide for compensation for such assistants, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Secton 1. That Article 1120, of Title 15, of Chapter 2, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby amended, so as to hereafter read as follows:

In addition to the five hundred dollars now allowed them by law, district attorneys in all judicial districts of this State composed of two counties or more, shall receive from the State as compensation for their services, the sum of fifteen dollars for each day they attend the session of the district court in their respective districts, in the necessary discharge of their official duty, and fifteen dollars per day for each day they represent the State at examining trials, inquest proceedings and habeas corpus proceedings in vacation; said fifteen dollars per day to be paid to the district attorneys, upon the sworn account of the district attorney, approved by the district judge, who shall certify that the attendance of the said district attorney for the number of days mentioned in his account, was necessary, after which, said account shall be recorded in the minutes of the district court; provided, that the maximum number of days for such attendance and service for which the said commission is allowed, shall not exceed one hundred and thirty-three days in any one year; and provided further, that all fees in misdemeanor it is so enacted.

cases, and commissions and fees heretofore allowed district attorneys under the provisions of Article 1118 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and in Chapter 5 of the General Laws passed at the Special Session of the Twenty-fifth Legislature, in districts composed of two or more counties, shall, when collected, be paid to the clerk of the district court. who shall pay the same over to the State Treasurer; provided, the provisions of this bill shall not apply to district attorneys whose last preceding annual report of himself or his predecessor, shows that he or his predecessor making such report, received in fees, under the criminal laws, over two thousand four hundred and ninety-five dollars. vided further, that in districts composed of two or more counties, and in which said district there is a county containing a city of thirtyfive thousand population or over, according to the last federal census, the district attorney in such district shall, with the approval of the county commissioners court of such county, be authorized to appoint one assistant district attorney, who shall receive a salary of not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars per month, such salary to be paid by such county, payable monthly; and provided, further, that such assistant district attorney, when so appointed, shall take the oath of office, and be authorized to represent the State in such county, and such authority to be exercised under the direction of the district attorney, and such assistant district attorney shall be subject to removal at the will of the district attorney. Such assistant district attorney shall be authorized to perform any duty devolving upon the district attorney and to perform and exercise any power conferred by law upon the district attorney when by him so authorized.

Sec. 2. The near approach of the close of the present session and the importance of this measure, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule, which requires the reading of bills on three several days in each house, be suspended, and the same is hereby suspended, and that this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

# House Bill No. 575.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon, W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

We, your Committee on Sir: Manufactures, to whom was referred H. B. No. 575,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass, and be printed in the Journal.

LATTIMORE, Chairman.

Following is the bill in full:

By Wagstaff et el. H. B. No. 575.

## A BILL

# To be entitled

An Act to amend Section 67, Article 1121, Title 25, Chapter 2, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, providing for the construction and maintenance and operating of warehouses in the State of Texas, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 67, Article 1121, Title 25, Chapter 2, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, shall hereafter read as follows:

Section 67. To construct, purchase, maintain and operate warehouses at any one or more places in the State of Texas for the storage of products of the soil, with authority to issue negotiable receipts therefor.

The near approach of Sec. the end of the Session of the Thirtyfourth Legislature, and it being important that the law permitting the construction of warehouses be amended, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity which requires that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days shall be suspended, and said rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so en acted.

House amendment:

Amend H. B. No. 575, page 1, line 19, by adding after the word "there-

statutes relating to and governing warehouses specially, unless provision to that effect is embodied in the articles of incorporation."

# Senate Bill No. 423.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred S. B. No. 423,

Have had the same under consideration, and we beg leave to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed, but be printed in the Journal.

McCollum, chairman; Page, Hudspeth, Gibson, Westbrook, Robbins, Townsend, Smith, Darwin.

Following is the bill in full:

By Page.

S. B. No. 423.

# A BILL

# To be entitled

An Act to provide for the working on the public roads of Bastrop County, Texas, of all parties who may have failed to pay their poll tax on or before January 31st of each year, and providing a penalty for those who are liable to said road duty, under the terms of this Act, by reason of their failures to pay their poll tax, and who shall fail to work said roads, when notified to do so by proper au-Thority, and creating an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of

the State of Texas: Section 1. The county judge of Bastrop County, Texas, shall obtain from the tax collector of Bastrop County, Texas, as soon after February 1st of each year as practicable, and before the 1st of July thereafter, a full list of the delinquent poll tax payers of Bastrop County, for the previous year, and the persons whose names shall appear on said list and who are such delin-quent poll tax payers shall be subfor," the following:

"Any such corporation shall be subject to the general incorporation laws of this State, but not to the

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cinct in which they may reside; and provided for in this Act shall not exonerate the person, or persons, from any other road duty to which the person, or persons, performing the same may be subject, but this shall be taken as cumulative. The person, or persons, required to do road duty under the provisions of this Act shall be subject to prosecution and penalty, as provided for in the General Laws of the State of Texas, and subject to the same liability and punishment provided for in other cases provided by law for the failure to appear and do said Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the road work when summoned; or to pay in cash in lieu thereof, as provided for by this Act, or by other laws of this State; and all such laws shall apply to parties required to work under the provisions of this Act, and when they are convicted for so faiing to work the roads, shall satisfy the fines and costs as in other misdemeanor convictions, but any person summoned to work on the road under the provisions of this Act may satisfy such summons and be relieved from such duty to work the road of the county of Bastrop, Texas, by paying to the road overseer or road superintendent in county precincts, as the case may be, the sum of \$3.00, which money so paid, shall be expended for the betterment of the roads of the county of Bastrop, Texas.

Sec. 2. As soon after January 31st of each year as practicable, the tax collector of Bastrop County, Texas, shall prepare a complete list of the delinquent poll tax payers of Bastrop County, Texas, for the preceding tax year, and shall deliver the same to the county judge of Bastrop County, Texas, who shall, under the direction of the commissioners court of said county, direct the working of said delinquent poll tax payers.

Sec. 3. Any delinquent poll tax payers who shall not by proper authority, be required to work on the roads of the county of Bastrop, or pay in lieu thereof, as provided herein, within one year from the date he became liable to do said work, shall be discharged from all further liability to do such work.

Sec. 4. The fact that there is no

moned as in other cases, to work the adequate law in Bastrop County comroads in the road district or pre- pelling the delinquent poll tax payers to either pay such amount, or do the performance of the road service such road duty, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity for the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

# Committee Reports.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Senate.

Sir: We, your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 221, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 381 and Article 382, of Chapter 6, Title 8, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, relating to 'nepotism,' so as to provide that the Act shall apply to the Legislature and to the members thereof, and inserting in Article 381, 'or members of the Legislature' and 'the Legislature,' and in Article 382, the words 'members of the Legislature,'"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

HUDSPETH, Chairman.

Committeee Room. Austin, Texas, March 11, 1916.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 460, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5229, Title 76, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, pertaining to the incarceration of persons under sixteen (16) years of age in the Juvenile School so as to provide that persons under ten (10) years of age shall not be admitted to said institution,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

HUDSPETH, Chairman.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee Sir: No. 1, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 386, A bill to be entitled "An Act to protect the lives and limbs of passengers and of employes of railroad and the public generally, and railway companies in the operation of their railroads, and to facili-tate the movement of trains, engines and traffic thereover, by prohibiting tresspassing on railroad premises, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following committee amendments, and be not printed, but be printed in the Journal.

LATTIMORE.

# (Minority Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon, W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 386, A bill to be entitled, "An Act to protect the lives and limbs of passengers and of employes of railrway and the public generally, and railway companies in the operation of their railroads, and to facilitate the movement of trains, engines and traffic thereover, by prohibiting trespassing on railroad premises, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and we beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LATTIMORE, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the

Sir: Your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred eration, and I am instructed to re-

"An Act to require the Governor of Texas to appoint an Inspector of Hides and Animals in each of the following counties, to wit: Bee, Live Oak, Maverick and Val Verde, and to place said counties under the provisions of Articles 7256 to 7304, inclusive, Revised Statutes of 1911, and providing for fees for inspectors appointed by the Governor, and declaring an emergency,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed, with the following amendments:

Amend the bill by inserting after the word "Bee" wherever it occurs in the bill and caption the word "Duval."

CLARK, Chairman.

# (Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee State Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 417, A bill to be entitled, "An Act to amend Article 6299, Chapter 1, Title 107, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, relating to commissioners of pilots, and declaring an emergency,

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Darwin, McCollum, Chairman; Townsend, Westbrook, Gibson, Page, Smith, Robbins, Hudspeth.

# (Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Education, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 594, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Brownsville Independent School District in Cameron County, Texas, and declaring an emergency

Have had the same under consid-H. B. No. 579, A bill to be entitled port the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Bee, Chairman; Gibson, Johnson, Astin, Bailey of Harris, Robbins, Darwin, Smith, Harley, McGregor.

# (Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred,

H. B. No. 642, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Wentz Independent School District in McMullen County, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and we beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Bee, Chairman; Smith, Gibson, Harley, Robbins, McGregor, Darwin, Cowell, Astin, Bailey of Harris, Johnson.

## (Floor Report.)

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 614, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a common county line school district, to be known as Moline District, to be under the jurisdiction, management and control of the Commissioners Court of Lampasas County, Texas; to be composed of the territory described in this Act, and defining the rights, powers and privileges of such district, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report same back tot the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

Bee, Chairman; Robbins, Gibson, Harley, Smith, Darwin, Bailey of Harris, Cowell, Astin, Johnson, Mc-Gregor.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom referred

H. B. No. 542, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an independent school district, to be known as the "Runge Independent School District," including within its boundaries the municipal corporation of the town of Runge, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

BEE, Chairman.

# Engrossing Committee Reports.

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully compared Senate Bill No. 397, and find same correctly engrossed

SMITH, Acting Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully compare i Senate Bill No. 61, and find same correctly engrossed.

WESTBROOK, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 641, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 9 of an Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, First Called Session, Chapter 5, Special Laws, entitled 'An Act creating an independent school district to be known as the Goliad Independent School District, including within its limits the unincorporated town of Goliad, Goliad County," and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

BEE, Chairman.

#### (Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Senate.
Sir: We, your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 687, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a special road law for Johnson County, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Henderson, chairman; McCollum, Robbins, Morrow, Westbrook, Mc-Nealus, Townsend, Smith.

# (Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Mining and Irrigation, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 393, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 28, of the Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, entitled 'An Act providing for the abolition of drainage districts, heretofore organised, or that may hereafter be organized, under the General Laws of the State of Texas, and providing a method for the creation of a trustee and treasurer to take charge of the property and effects of said abolished district, and for the collecting of claims or debts against such districts, and winding up the affairs thereof, and declaring an emergency; prohibiting subsequent elections for the same purposes within periods of two years; repealing all laws in conflict herewith,' and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

Parr, chairman; Hall, Bailey of DeWitt, King, Conner, Clark, Bailey of Harris.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee or

Agricultural Affairs, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 390, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish standard and uniform containers for vegetables, produce and fruit; providing penalties for violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed, with the

following amendment:
Amend the bill, by striking out
the words "vegetables, produce and
fruit" wherever it occurs in the bill,
and insert the words "tomatoes and
peaches," in lieu thereof.

ASTIN, Chairman.

# (Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 610, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize and permit the territory situated within the bounds of the town of Claude, in the county of Armstrong, and State of Texas, to incorporate as an independent school district for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and we beg leave to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, and that it be not printed.

Bee, chairman; Gibsen, Johnson, Darwin, Astin, Robbins, Smith, Bailey of Harris, Cowell.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 507, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a system of farm credit banks in this State, to be composed of district farm credit banks, local farm credit banks, State banks incorporated under the general banking laws, which accept the provisions of the Act, and National banks incorporated under the laws of the United States, which accept on the provisions of the Act, and such

the general corporation laws of the State for the purpose of loaning money as may accept the provisions hereof; providing in what manner the local and district farm credit banks may be chartered and organized; setting forth their corporate rights and defining their respective corporate powers and the manner in which these rights and powers are to be exercised; providing in what manner State banks chartered under the general banking laws of the State, National banks, and other corporations chartered under the laws of this State for loaning money may avail themselves of the provisions of this Act; setting forth and defining their powers and liabilities hereunder; defining in what manner the business of local and district farm credit banks may be transacted; placing the administration of this Act under the supervision of the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking, and setting forth his powers relative hereto, and declaring that local farm credit banks and district farm credit banks chartered hereunder are a part of the general banking system of the State and subject to all the provisions, privileges, limitations and liabilities of the general banking laws of the State, not in conflict with this Act; conferring certain authority and power upon the State Banking Board and the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking, and defining said power and authority; authorizing the State Banking Board to employ such assistants and incur such other expense as may be necessary in organizing local and district farm credit banks in this State, and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency,'

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

LATTIMORE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate. Sir: Your Judiciary Committee

Sir: No. 1, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 416, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3281, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, so as to empoyer any bank, bor, to whom was referred bank and trust company incorpor- S. B. No. 62, A bill to be entitled

other corporations chartered under ated under the laws of this State, and any National bank incorporated under the laws of the United States, to act as executor under the will or as administrator of the estate of any deceased person, and declaring an emergency,

Have had the same under consideration, and we beg to report the same back to the Senate, with the rcommendation that it do pass.

LATTIMORE, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 398, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit any person granted a license to practice law in courts of record in other States to be admitted to practice in the State of Texas by filing with the clerk of the Supreme Court of Texas his license properly authenticated from the State from which he migrated, together with a certificate of good moral character and honorable deportment, and relieving said person from the requirement of examination for license,"

Have had the same under consideration, and we now beg leave to report the bill back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass.

LATTIMORE, Acting Chairman.

# (Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judicial

Districts, to whom was referred H. B. No. 510, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the time of holding the district courts in Clay County to eight weeks,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, and that it be not printed.

Nugent, chairman; Henderson, Conner, Gibson, Parr, Bailey of Har-

Committee Room Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on La-

"An Act to require engineers and lic Lands and Land Office, to whom others operating steam engines and boilers to procure a license, and to provide for the issuance of licenses, and for the examination of applicants for licenses, to the end that life and property may the better be protected against injury or damage, and to repeal any Act that has been passed by the Legislature of Texas, granting cities the power to license stationery engineers,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do

pass.

M'NEALUS, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

We, your Committee on State Penitentiaries, to whom was

referred

H. B. No. 7, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 6174, 6181, 6196, 6212, 6214, 6215, 6220, 6223, 6227 and 6231, and to repeal Article 6186, Title 104, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911; amend Article 6201 and Article 6224, of Title 104, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, and to add to said Title 104, Articles 6231a and 6231b, so as to permit the Prison Commission to bring suits, and declaring an emergency,

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass, with the

following amendment:

Amend the bill, by adding after the word "year," in Article 6174, and just before Section 2, the fol-

lowing:
"And in no event shall convicts be worked except under the immediate supervision of the prison officials or sergeants, or guards appointed by said officials, and shall be fed and clothed while on such work by said prison officials, and the same conveniences shall be provided for said convicts as is now provided on the State farms and prison camps.'
HUDSPETH, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

was referred

S. B. No. 370, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5435, Title 79, of the Revised Statutes of 1911, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and we beg leave to report the same back to the Senate, with the recommendation that it do pass. with the following amendment:

JOHNSON, Chairman.

Committee amendment No. 1:

Amend S. B. No. 370, by striking out Section 1, and inserting a new Section, to be known as Section 1, as follows:

"Section 1. One who hereafter buys land on condition of settlement, shall not sell any part of such purchase prior to one year after date of award of the home tract, nor prior to one year after date of the award of the first additional tract purchased to a formerly acquired home, unless the required residence has sooner been completed. After the lapse of the time aforesaid, purchaser may sell all of his land. or any part thereof, in whole tracts. according to his purchase, to another qualified purchaser, who will become an actual bona fide settler en some part thereof at date of his transfer, if the residence is not complete, and such assignee shall complete the residence on the land by continuous residence thereon, as required of his vendor; and if the vendor does not sell all of his purchase he shall continue to reside upon his home tract. or on some part of that retained. until the completion of the residence required of him. A purchaser on condition of settlement under this Chapter, or any former law, may have the right to sell his land, or a part of it, may sell his whole home tract, or one or more of his additional tracts as a whole, according to his purchase, to another purchaser who owns a designated home tract within five miles of each of such tracts as he may purchase as assignee, and the assignee may take each of the tracts as additional to his own designated home tract; provided, the total tracts so purchased by an assignee prior to the completion of the residence of the vendor. together with the former purchase Sir: We your Committee on Pub- of the assignee, shall not exceed one

complement of sections. In such cases, the assignee shall continue to reside in person upon either his formerly designated home tract, or on one of his formerly acquired additional tracts, or on one of his additional tracts purchased as assignee, continuously until the completion of the residence required of him under his former purchase and that of his vendor. No tract hereafter purchased shall be transferred, except as a whole, prior to the issuance of patent thereon, but should a transfer of less than a whole tract be made after the purchaser has the right to sell in whole tracts under the provisions of this Chapter, such transfer shall not be void, but the owner shall not be substituted as assignee on the records of the land The failure to pay the interoffice. est on the whole of such tract shall operate as a forfeiture of every part thereof. Nothing in the foregoing Articles of this Chapter with reference to the sale or transfer of parts of whole tracts shall be construed to prevent the filing of transfers for whole or complements of land by any person or persons deriving title thereto from the heir or heirs, executors, administrators or survivor in community of any deceased owner thereof, or from the guardian of any minor or person of unsound mind, or from any trustee under deed of trust, or mortgagee in any mortgage with power of sale or transfer executed by the sheriff or other officer of any court of this State having competent jurisdiction by virtue of any execution or order of sale issued out of such court, provided such transfer shall be accompanied by the proper and necessary obligations and other instruments of verification provided for in the two preceding Articles of this Chapter, and thereupon the Commissioner shall open a new account for the land so transferred in the name of the person filing such transfer in the same manner as accounts are now opened with persons filing personal transfers.'

(Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Af-

"An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 75 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, entitled 'An Act to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry; creating a board for the examination of applicants for the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry; prescribing their powers and qualifications,' and declaring an emergency,

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do

pass, and be not printed.

McCollum, chairman; Darwin, Gibson, Townsend, Smith, Page, Hudspeth, Robbins.

# Enrolling Committee Reports.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolle 1 Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 88, and finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 10:55 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

M'COLLUM, Chairman.

S. B. No. 88. An Act to amend Article 1676, Title 34, Chapter 1 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911 by adding the following: And in the event the district judges shall be prevented fro a exchanging districts and the parties and their counsels shall fail to select or agree upon an attorney of the court for the trial thereof, which fact shall be certified to the Governor by the district judge or special judge, whereupon the Governor shall appoint some person legally qualified to act as judge in the trial of the case, so that said articles shall read as hereinafter set forth.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Article 1676. Whenever any case or cases, civil or criminal, are pending in which the district judge is disqualified from trying the same, no change of venue shall be made necessary thereby; but the judge presiding shall immediately certify that fact to the fairs, to whom was referred Governor, whereupon the Governor S. B. No. 418, A bill to be entitled shall designate some district judge in Governor, whereupon the Governor

an adjoining district to exchange and try such case or cases, and the Governor shall also notify both of said judges of such order; and it shall be the duty of said judges to exchange districts for the purpose of disposing of such case or cases, and in case of sickness or other reasons rendering it impossible to exchange, then the parties or their counsel shall have right to select or agree upon an attorney of the court for the trial thereofand in the event the district judges shall be prevented from exchanging districts and the parties and their counsels shall fail to select or agree upon an attorney of the court for the trial thereof, which fact shall be certified to the Governor by the district judge or the special judge, whereupon the Governor shall appoint a person legally qualified to act as judge in the trial of the case.

> Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 269; and finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 10:55 o'clock a. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

M'COLLUM, Chairman.

S. B. No. 269.

An Act to provide that all expenditures for the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas may be made by order of the board of directors of said college, to be paid on warrants from the Comptroler on vouchers approved by the president of said board, or by some other officer or officers of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, designated by him in writing to the Comptroller, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. All expenditures for the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas may be made by the order of the board of directors and the same shall be paid on warrants from the Comptroller based on vouchers approved by the president of the board of directors or by some officer or officers of the college designated by him in writing to the Comptroller. Sec. 2. That all laws or parts of

laws in conflict therewith should be and are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. The crowded condition of the calendar and the fact that there is no adequate law providing for the approval of vouchers of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas. creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity for the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, and said rule is hereby suspended and this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, and it is so en-

Committee Room Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 41, and find it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 10:55 o'clock a. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

M'COLLUM, Cnairman.

S. B. No. 41. An Act to amend Article 3496, entitled Estates of Decedents, Chapter 22, Title 52, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, of 1911, regulating the sale of property belonging to estates of decedents; to permit the sale of same upon terms as set forth in the bill, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of

the State of Texas: Section 1. That Article 3496, entitled Estates of Decedents, Chapter 22, Title 52 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, regulating the sale of property belonging to estates of decedents, be and the same is hereby amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Article 3496. When it shall appear to be to the interest of the estate, the county judge may order a sale of real estate to be made at public or private sale for cash, or for part cash and part credit, and if sold for part cash and part credit, then upon terms to be determined by the judge of said court; provided that one-fifth of the purchase price must be paid in cash and the executor or administrator shall retain a lien upon said premises to secure the payment of the deferred payment. It must be shown, in addition to the other requirements of the statutes of the State of Texas, that said sale was made for a fair price, and no personal security shall be required of the purchaser of said property unless the county judge shall deem house door of the county in which it necessary.

Sec. 2. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby in all things repealed.

Sec. 3. The fact that there is now no adequate law regulating the sale of property belonging to the estates of decedents without sacrificing same, an imperative public necessity exists that the constituional rule requiring bills to be read on three consecutive days be and the same is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committeen on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 129, and finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 10:55 o'clock a. m., presented same to the Governor for this approval.

M'COLLUM, Chairman.

S. B. No. 129.

An Act to amend Article 3759, Title 54 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, regulating sales under deeds of trust, and providing for said sales and the method of giving notice, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 3759, Title 54 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, be amended to read hereafter as follows:

Article 3759. All sales of real estate made in this State under powers conferred by any deed of trust or other contract lien shall be made in the county in which such real estate is situated, unless such real estate he situated in more than one county, in which event notices as herein provided shall be given in both or all of such counties, providing and giving notice that such sale will be made of such real estate in that one of said counties in which the greater portion of the real estate may be situated; if equal quantities of said land to be sold lie in different counties, said notice snall designate in which of said counties the sale is to be made. Notice of such proposed sale shall be given by posting written notice thereof in three public places in said county or coun-

such sale is to be made, and if such real estate be in more than one county, one at the court house door of each county in which said real estate is situated, or such notice may be given as required by statute in case of judicial sales, or such notice may be given in either of said methods as provided for in said deed of trust or contract lien; and such sales shall be made at public vendue between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. of the first Tuesday in any month; provided, that when such real estate is situated in an unorganized county, such sale shall be made in the county to which such unorganized county is attached for judicial purposes.

Sec. 2. The fact that the statutes governing sales of real estate under deeds of trust have, by the decisions of this State, been construed to refer back and be governed by the law governing judicial sales that existed in 1889, creates a great deal of confusion and causes much litigation as to the method to pursue in making sales under deeds of trust; and the fact that it is costing the people of his Sate much time, money and litigation, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity, making necessary the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring that all bills be read on three several days, and said rule is hereby suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir Your Committee on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 246, and finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 10:55 o'clock, a. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

S. B. No. 246.

An Act to authorize guardians of estates to make mineral leases, and prescribing the manner in which said mineral leases shall be made, repealing Chapter 131 of the General Laws of the regular session of the Thirty-third Legislature, approved April 3, 1913, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of

the State of Texas: Section 1. That guardians of the ties, one of which shal' be at the court estates of minors or of any other persons, appointed under the laws of the State of Texas, which have here-tofore been appointed, or which may hereafter be appointed, shall have the authority to make mineral leases for the estates of their wards.

Sec. 2. That whenever a guardian of the estate of any persons shall desire to make a mineral lease upon the real estate of his ward, he shall apply to the county judge of the county where such guardianship is pending for authority to make and execute such mineral lease, and such application shall be in writing and sworn to by such guardian, and the Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the county judge shall, either in term time or in vacation, hear such application, and shall require proof as to the necessity and advisability of such mineral lease, and if he shall approve the same, he shall enter an order on the minutes of the probate court, either in term time or vacation, authorizing the guardian to make such mineral lease, and the terms upon which it shall be made; provided, that no lease shall extend beyond the time that the ward shall become twenty-one years of age.

Before such application shall be heard by the county judge, notice of such application shall be given by the guardian for one week prior to the time such application shall be heard, by publishing same in some newspaper of the county where said guardianship is pending for one issue of said paper, and such notice shall state when and where such application shall be heard.

It is further provided that after notice and hearing of said application and the granting of the same by the probate court, that said guardian shall be fully authorized to make mineral lease upon the real estate of his ward in accordance with the judgment of the county court acting upon the same.

Sec. 3. Chapter 131, of the General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, approved April 3, 1913, is hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. Owing to the fact that there is now no adequate law authorizing guardians of an estate to make mineral leases, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity for the suspension of the constitutional rule, requiring bills to be read on three several days, and that this Act shall be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Committee Room Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 76 and finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 3:50 o'clock p. m. presented same to the Governor for his approval.

DARWIN, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 401, and finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 3:50 o'clock p. m. presented same to the Governor for his approval.

DARWIN, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 71, and finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 3:50 o'clock p. m. presented same to the Governor for his approval.

DARWIN, Acting Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate Bill. No. 253, and finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 3:50 o'clock p. m. presented same to the Governor for his approval.

DARWIN, Acting Chairman.

S. B. No. 253. An Act to appropriate twenty-five thousand dollars for the use of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas to make and enforce quarantine rules and regulations against the introduction into Texas of foot and mouth disease among live stock and to disinfect or destroy premises where necessary, and to kill such live stock as may be necessary to stamp out and prevent the spread of such disease if

introduced in Texas, and to pay for property destroyed in carrying out such quarantine, disinfecting premises and other expenses connected therewith; and to au-Stock Sanithorize the Live tary Commission to act in conjunction with the Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States in the killing and destroying such animals and premises and in disinfecting premises and pay-ing therefor out of such appropriation, and to provide penalties for violation of such rules and regulations and for other purposes, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas: Section 1. There shall be and is

hereby appropriated out of any funds of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be used by the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas for the purpose only stamping out and preventing foot and mouth disease, and hog cholera, and preventing its introduction and spread among live stock in Texas; and to enforce all such quarantine rules and regulations as may be necessary to stamp out and prevent the diseases, introduction of such and destroy all such animals, premises or property as said commission may deem necessary, and to pay for the same their value at the time of killing the same, or destroying such property, or such part of such value as is not paid for by the United States, such appropriation to be used for any and all such purposes and such other expenses as may become necessary in the prevention, stamping out or preventing the spread of such disease among live stock in Texas, and to make all such investigation within or out of the State as may be necessary to those ends. This appropriation to be available annually up to August 31, 1917.

Sec. 2. The Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas, in addition to the powers conferred on it by law. shall be and is hereby authorized to adopt all such quarantine rules and regulations against the movement into Texas or the movement within the State of Texas of animals of any sort from one place to another, or of persons going from or to premises where the said disease exists, or to pre-

disease may be, in the judgment of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, transmitted from one place to another; and to require of all railroads the cleaning and disinfecting of their cars before coming into Texas or their movement within this State. or the shipment of live stock into or within this State, wherever in the judgment of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission that may be necessary to prevent the introduction or transmission of said disease; and to require of all railroads and stock yards companies or slaughtering establishments or persons operating the same, to clean and disinfect all stock pens and premises and approaches thereto used by them, all such cleaning and disinfecting to be done according to the rules, regulations or directing of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas, and also in conformity to the rules, regulations and directions of the Bureau of Animal Industry of the Department of Agriculture, and it shall be the duty of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission to co-operate with the Bureau of Animal Industry in carrying out the purposes of this act. Provided, also, that any member of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission shall have the authority to declare an emergency quarantine and for the purpose of such emergency quarantine, to also exercise all the powers hereby conferred on the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, which emergency quarantine or other exercise of the powers hereby or by the general law conferred upon the Live Stock Sanitary Commmission shall be promptly submitted to the Live Stock Sanitary Commission for its approval and shall remain in effect until set aside or changed by the Live Stock Sanitary Commission.

Sec. 3. If any person, firm or corporation shall refuse or fail to comply with any rule, regulation or direction of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, provided for herein, or shall move any live stock from one place to another, or shall fail or re-fuse to disinfect premises, cars, stock yards, stock pens according to the rules and regulations of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, or under an emergency quarantine as provided in Section 3 of this Act; or shall refuse to permit the Live Stock Sanitary Commission or any Commissioner or any of its employes or any inthe said disease exists, or to prespector or employe of the Bureau ent any other act whereby the said of Animal Industry from going upon

or taking charge of any premises where such disease exists or where the same has been exposed to infection, or to take possession of any animal and kill the same or otherwise handle the same in accordance with the powers hereby conferred upon the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, such person shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined not less than one hundred (\$100.00) dollars nor more than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars for each offense and for each day he shall continue such offense and such corporation shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a penalty of not less than one hundred (\$100.00) dollars nor more than two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars for each day such offense shall continue, to be recovered by the Live Stock Sanitary Commission in the district court of any county where the offense is committed, all such fines and penalties to be paid into the State Treasury, to be subject to the use of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission as an addition to the appropriation herein made and for the same purposes.

4. The value of the anmals killed or premises destroyed under the direction of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission under this Act shall be paid for, to the owner, according to the value thereof at the time and place the animals are killed or property destroyed, which value shall be determined by said commission, and the commission shall assess such value and report the same to the State Treasurer and the amount thereof shall be a special fund of deposit in the Treasury for the owner of such property or animals destroyed to be paid for out of such appropriation upon proper voucher or certificate of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission and the owner of such animals or property destroyed as to the value thereof, the owner thereof may bring suit against the Live Stock Sanitary Commission to recover the value of such animals or property so killed or destroyed in any court having jurisdiction of the amount in controversy at county site of county where the Live Stock Sanitary Commission shall have its principal office, but not elsewhere, and jurisdiction is hereby conferred on such court to hear and determine such suit. If the plaintiff shall fail

animals killed or the property destroyed as assessed by said commission exclusive of interest, which the plaintiff shall not be entitled to recover, he shall pay in addition to all costs, reasonable attorneys' fees to the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, to be adjudged by the court, which said commission shall pay into the State Treasury to be treated as part of the fund of this appropriation. Any final judgment rendered against the Live Stock Sanitary Commission such suit shall be certified to the Live Stock Sanitary Commission, which shall certify the same to the State Treasury, and such judgment shall be paid out of the appropriation as provided for by this Act upon proper voucher in favor of the party entitled thereto drawn or certified by Live Stock Sanitary Commission.

Sec. 5. The fact that the foot and mouth disease prevails in other States and may at any time reach Texas creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and it is hereby suspended, and this Act shall be in effect from and after its passage.

> Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 152, and finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 3:50 o'clock p. m. presented same to the Governor for his approval.

DARWIN, Acting Chairman.

S. B. No. 152. An Act providing that all property or moneys received as compensation for personal injuries sustained by the wife shall be her separate property, except such actual and necessary expenses as may have accumulated against the husband for hospital fees, medical bills, and all other expenses incident to the collection of said compensation, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of

the State of Texas: Section 1. All property or moneys received as compensation for personal injuries sustained by the wife shall be her separate property, except such to recover more than the value of the actually and necessary expenses as

bills and all other expenses iacident to the collection of said compensation.

Sec. 2. The fact that the present law of the State provides that all Property and moneys received as compensaion for personal injuries sustained by the wife is the community property of the wife and husband, subject to the control and management of the husband, doing the wife a great injustice, creates an imperative public necessity and emergency requiring the suspension of the constitutional rule providing that bills shall be read on three several days, and said rule is accordingly hereby suspended, and it is enacted that this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. and it is so enatced.

> Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate Bill No. 287, finds it correctly enrolled, and has this day at 3:50 o'clock p. m. presented same to the Governor for his approval.

> DARWIN, Acting Chairman.

> > S. B. No. 287.

An Act for the relief of railway corporations having charters granted or amended since the first day of January, 1892, and which have failed or are about to fail, to construct their roads and branches, or any part thereof, within the time required by law, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That the time in which any railway corporation chartered under the laws of the State of Texas since the first day of January, 1892, or the charter of which has been amended since that date, is required to begin construction of its road, and construct, equip and put the same in good running order as required by Article 6633 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911 be and the same hereby is, as to any unfinished portion of such road, extended two years from the taking effect of this Act; and any railroad company having been chartered since Jan-State of Texas for a period of ten

may have accumulated against the uary 1, 1892, or the charter to which husband for hospital fees, redical has been amended since said date, which shall have forfeited its corporate existence or any of its rights and powers, or is about to do so, by reason of the failure to comply with said Article 6633, or any part of said article, shall have restored and preserved to it its corporate existence, and it shall have and enjoy all of the corporate franchises, property rights and powers held or acquired by it previous to any cause or forfeiture as aforesaid; provided that no railway company which shall be revived or the time extended by virtue of this Act shall claim or exercise any franthise not allowed, granted or permitted to other railway corporations under the law as now in force in this State.

Sec. 2. Any railway corporation chartered since the first day of January, A. D. 1892, and which by its original charter or by amendment thereto, filed since said first day of January, A. D. 1892, has further provided for the locating, constructing, maintaining, owning and operating of any extension or branch line or lines of railway, and which has failed or is about to fail to complete the same, or any part thereof, within the time required by law, shall, upon payment of all its franchise tax, be and is hereby restored to and granted all and singular the rights, privileges and franchises acquired by its original charter, or by such amendment to its articles of incorporation, as if the same was filed and recorded in the office of the Secretary of State on the day of the taking effect of this Act, and such corporation shall, upon payment of its franchise tax, be and is hereby authorized to project, complete, construct, own and operate any such extension and branch line or lines of railway under and as provided for in its charter or in any amendment to its articles of incorporation; provided, that such extension and branch line of railway shall be by such corporation completed and put in good running order at the rate of at least ten miles in one year from the taking effect of this Act, and twenty additional miles for each and every year thereafter until all the branch line or lines of extension as provided for are completed; provided that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to any railroad company which has been chartered by the

years or more, and which has twenty miles or less of railroad to build in order to comply with its original charter, or any amendment thereto.
Sec. 3. The fact that no good

can result to the State from the forfeiture provided against in this Act, and that the public interest and convenience will be promoted, and citizens in many parts of the State having invested in railway enterprises subjected to great loss unless the relief herein provided for be granted, therefore an emergency and an imperative public necessity authorize the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days is created, and it is so suspended, and demanding that the Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

# Engrossing Committee Reports.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 11, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully compared Senate Bill No. 27, and find same correctly engrossed.

WESTBROOK, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915.

Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully com-Senate Bill No. 419 and find same correctly engrossed. WESTBROOK, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 12, 1915. Hon. W. P. Hobby, President of the Senate.

Your Committee on En Sir: grossed Bills have carefully compared Senate Bill No. 278 and find same correctly engrossed.

WESTBROOK, Chairman.

# Petitions and Memorials.

Senator Smith presented petitions from citizens of his district, oppos-ing the Full Crew bill and all medicine wagon legislation; also, a petition from farmers of Rusk County, asking for an amendment to the Senator Morrow, for non-attendance

Warehouse law, so as to relieve them of the extra \$1.00 per bale tax.

The Chair laid before the Senate several letters from persons who are opposed to S. B. No. 146.

Senator Hudspeth offered a petition from citizens of Maverick County, showing cause why the Public Health bill should not pass.

Senator Henderson sent to Secretary's desk and had read three letters addressed to Hon. Jno. S. Patterson, Insurance Commissioner, from insurance men, favoring the passage of S. B. No. 104.

#### FORTY-SECOND DAY.

Senate Chamber. Austin, Texas, Saturday, March 13, 1915.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock, a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor W. P. Hobby.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answered to their names:

Johnson. Bailey of DeWitt. Lattimore. Bailey of Harris. McCollum. McNealus. Bee. Breisford. Morrow. Page. Clark. Conner. Parr. Cowell. Robbins. Smith. Darwin. Suiter. Gibson. Townsend. Hall. Westbrook. Harris. Wiley. Henderson.

# Absent.

Harley. Hudspeth. King.

Johnson.

McGregor. Nugent.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Whaling. Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator

See Appendix for Committee Reports and Petitions and Memorials.

# Excused.

On account of important business: